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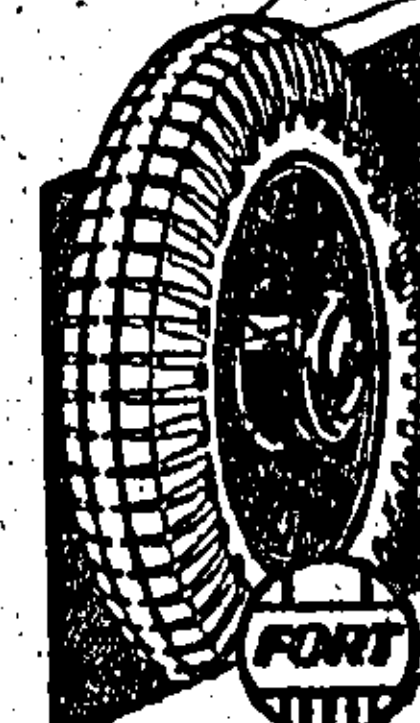
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CAMPBELL WILL RACE IN FLORIDA

Another Attempt To
Better Land Record

BLUE BIRD RE-ENGINEED.

London, To-day.
Sir Malcolm Campbell expects to attempt to break his own world land speed record of 253.9 miles an hour next February.

His old racing car, the Blue Bird, has been rebuilt and strengthened and fitted with a 2,500 H.P. Rolls Royce engine of the type used in the Super Marine Seaplane with which Flight-Lieutenant Stainforth set up a world air record of 407.5 miles per hour.

The car will be shipped to Daytona Beach, Florida, in January, scene of Sir Malcolm's previous triumphs, and of the undoing of rivals who sought to challenge him. Daytona has claimed more than one life.

The Blue Bird's unprecedented life as a racing car, though it has been re-engineered for its three attempts at world records, has roused the admiration of the world for the British builders. The great car, stream-lined, tailed and finned, resembles a wingless flying machine.—British Wireless Service.

FINANCE BODY TO CONSIDER \$30,953 VOTES

Supplementary Bills
Before Committee.

CONSIDERATION THURSDAY.

The sum of \$30,953 for supplementary expenditure will be itemised for the consideration of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, which will meet after the Council Meeting on Thursday next.

Most of the items come under the head of miscellaneous services. The sum of \$940 is required for the Medical Department, the greater part of which is to meet the increased expenditure caused by the cholera and diphtheria outbreaks.

Owing to the increase of money rewards being paid by the Police Force, that department requires an additional sum of \$2,500. While \$1,500 is required for charitable services which have proved much heavier than anticipated.

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WORSE IN ENGLAND THAN IN CHINA.

Woman Complains She
Cannot Get Bath.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

London.
A woman's allegation that she had been better off in China than she was in Britain was made at Messing, near Tiptree, Essex, when an inquiry was held into the London and Winstree Rural Council's application for sanction to borrow \$18,000 for supplying the Essex village of Layermarney, Messing, Inworth and Layerbretton with water.

Mrs. Frayer, poultry farmer, Newbridge Hill, Messing, told the officials that she had come to Messing from China. She said: "I have given up all hope of a bath. I am worse off in England than I was in China, where I always had enough water to keep myself clean."



Popular Boxer's Wedding.—The wedding took place at Southwark Town Hall, London, on October 26, between Mr. Donald McCorkindale, the South African heavy-weight boxer, and Miss Christie Broadribb, the daughter of Mr. Ted Broadribb, his manager. The bridegroom in happy mood, carries his bride after the ceremony.—(S. & G.)

KOREAN SENTENCED TO DIE FOR SHANGHAI BOMBING.

Second of General Shirakawa's
Assassins Sent to Death.

Shanghai, To-day.
News has been received here that the Osaka Court has sentenced to death Im Kung-kee, one of the Koreans who threw a bomb in Hongkew Park on April 22, which killed General Shirakawa and wounded Admiral Nomura and Mr. Shigemitsu, the then Consul-General at Shanghai.

In Ho Kichi, another of the three, will be executed in Osaka military gaol on Thursday.—Reuter.

New Uniforms For Army

Radical Changes
Considered.

London, To-day.
The new uniform and equipment which, if finally adopted, will considerably alter the appearance of the British Army, were officially shown for the first time in London, yesterday.

The most striking features are the light waterproof hat of deer-stalker pattern which can be folded into the pocket, the open-necked tunic and shirt and the dull bronze buttons and badges.

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DIVORCE TOTAL IN ENGLAND CLIMBS

Husbands Petition In
One-Third Of Cases.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

London.
Entries in the divorce lists for the last legal term of the year, which opens in October, already exceed 500. Indications are that the total for 1932, counting the Assize cases, will be over 4,000.

Over 90 per cent. of these cases are brought by poor people under the special facilities now granted them. Suits in which husbands are the petitioners are only about one third of the total number.

Since the law equalised the grounds for divorce between the sexes, the average totals have been between 4,000 and 5,000 cases annually.

BRITAIN AND JAPAN CLASH ON ROAD ISSUE

Each Wants Advisers
On Shanghai Body.

TOKYO WON'T COMPROMISE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

The outside roads issue has suddenly developed a dispute between the British and Japanese authorities, according to leading Chinese daily papers. Formerly the solution of the question has been blocked on account of Japanese opposition.

The proposed agreements between the Municipal Council and the Chinese authorities, it is understood, include the rendition to the Chinese of jurisdiction over outside roads conditional upon foreign advisers being attached to the special administration.

The point of the Anglo-Japanese disagreement is whether these advisers shall be British or Japanese. The latter demand the appointment of their own nationals ostensibly because Japanese residing outside the road areas outnumber the Japanese inside.

The Japanese Government is believed to be unwilling to compromise on this issue.

F. A. CUP

Second Round Draw
For December 10.

MINOR CLUBS NOT FAVOURED.

London, To-day.
The following is the draw for the Second Round Proper of the F.A. Cup to be played on December 10:

Southend or Exeter v. Scarborough.
Cardiff or Bristol R. v. Gillingham or Wycombe.
Folkestone v. Newport.
Northampton v. Doncaster.
Chester v. Dartford or Yeovil Petters.
Reading v. Coventry.
Bristol C. v. Tranmere.
Brighton v. Wrexham.
Stockport v. Luton or Kingstonians.

Halifax v. Workington.
Southport or Nelson v. Swindon.
Walsall v. Hartlepool.
Carlisle v. Hull.
Acorington v. Aldershot.
Crewe v. Darlington.
Gateshead v. Margate.
Torquay or Bournemouth v. Mether or Queen's P.R.

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CRUISES CONTINUE.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

London.
The summer sea cruises, which have proved so popular with British holiday-makers and a windfall for the shipping companies at a time when they were suffering from acute depression, are not to cease with the approach of autumn, but are to continue right through the winter.

Coffee Planting In Brazil Is Prohibited For Three-Year Period

Rio De Janeiro.
A drastic decree prohibiting the planting of coffee in Brazil, the world's chief producer, for the next three years was issued to-day by President Getulio Vargas in an effort to solve the country's most pressing economic problem.

Though thousands of tons of the beverage bean have been burned and dumped into the sea, a sufficient quantity remains in storage to supply export needs for the three-year period, it is estimated.

The full force of the decree will fall on the state of Sao Paulo, which recently was in revolt, among others. This province, along with that of Rio de Janeiro, Espirito Santo and Minas Gerais supply four-fifths of the world's coffee supply.

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CABINET DIVIDED ON POLICY

SIMON & CHAMBERLAIN
URGE DEFALCATION

EXPECT U.S. AGREEMENT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

GREAT BRITAIN MUST MEET THE DEBT PAYMENT WHICH THE UNITED STATES DEMANDS, OR FORFEIT HER CREDIT, MR. MONTAGU NORMAN, GOVERNOR OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND, WARNED THE GOVERNMENT YESTERDAY AT THE CONCLUSION OF HOURS OF CONFERENCES AND AFTER RT. HON. MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, HAD REPORTED ON THE SITUATION TO HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE.

The Cabinet is divided in opinion as the policy which Great Britain should adopt. The majority, headed by Premier Ramsay MacDonald, insists that the nation must honour its bond. The Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir John Simon urge that Britain consider France's position and her pledged word at the Lausanne Conference, and that the American demands be ignored.

The present attitude in London appears to be that Great Britain will not be required to pay more than the interest due on December 15.

A full day's of ministerial conference on debts was concluded with a two-hour Cabinet meeting and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, having an audience with H.M. the King.

Apart from the fact that the ministers resolved to make the second note to the United States irresistible in argument, it is believed that not only are the terms of the actual note being drafted, but the whole of the Government's war debt policy is being reviewed. It is unlikely the note will be dispatched before tomorrow.

Opinion within the Cabinet is said to be divided. The Morning Post ranges Premier MacDonald, Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Mr. J. H. Thomas on the one hand declaring the bond must be honoured without discussion. Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Sir John Simon on the other hand declare that the prime consideration is the Lausanne Pact; hence the French representations must be considered even to the point of default.

Mr. Montagu Norman was also called to the Treasury and according to City circles, advised that default would be disastrous to British credit.

Parliamentary opinion strongly favours payment.

It is considered that the United States is practically certain to accept the offer of interest only and to allow the postponement of payment of the principal of Britain's debt due on December 15. The interest amounts to \$13,500,000, which will most probably be remitted in gold, thus saving the difference between the par value of gold dollars and the current sterling value.

The Government has a huge reckoning day on December 1, when over £300,000,000 will be disbursed, £165,000,000 to those who did not convert their Five Per Cent. War Loans; £140,000,000 to holders of Treasury Bonds. The Treasury receives a slightly smaller sum the same day on account of new loans.

Morning Developments Reviewed.
The Governor of the Bank of England, Mr. Montagu Norman, visited the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamber-



Sir Robert Hoare.

lain, yesterday morning, and several Ministers discussed the matter further at a meeting in the House of Commons last night.

It is anticipated the note will be despatched to Washington within the next few days and it is expected to contain a cogent presentation of the reasons which led Great Britain to propose the extension of a moratorium, pending the exchange of views on the whole question of international war indebtedness.

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IRELAND HURT BY TARIFF WAR.

Exports Fall Off By
£1,500,000 In Month.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

London.
The British trade figures for the month of August show that the Irish Free State's Agricultural export trade has been badly hit by the dispute over the land annuities and the consequent British duties on Free State Imports.

Agricultural imports into the United Kingdom from the Free State have dropped by over £1,500,000 as compared with the same month last year. More than half of this decline is represented by a falling off of £887,000 in Irish cattle. Imports of sheep from Ireland show a reduction of £150,000, while dairy produce has dropped by £380,000.

On the other side of the picture, British exports to the Irish Free State also show a marked diminution, though exports of coal actually show an increase.

M.C.C. WIN FOURTH GAME IN AUSTRALIA

Defeat N.S.W. By
Innings & 44 Runs.

BRADMAN OUT FOR 23.

Sydney, To-day.

The M.C.C. registered their fourth victory on tour when they beat New South Wales by an innings and 44 runs to-day.

A small crowd was present when the home side continued batting yesterday and at lunch the scoreboard read 206 for 3, J. Cummins being undefeated for 71 and Don Bradman 23.

Cummins failed to add to his score after the interval and was dismissed for 71 scored in 77 minutes. Included in his innings were twelve boundaries. Owing to the attack of influenza which seized him on Saturday, W. A. Oldfield, the Australian stumper, was unable to bat.

Voce, the Nottingham bowler, followed up his innings of 46 by returning the following bowling figures:—

O. M. R. W.
15 1 85 5

G. O. Allen, the Middlesex fast bowler, took 2 for 62, and P. R. Brown, the Surrey all-rounder, took 2 for 19.

Don Bradman by scoring 23 dispelled all doubts as to his being unable to play in the first Test which commences on Friday. With the New South Wales match concluding a day earlier than was expected, Bradman will be able to rest for three days' complete rest, and thus hopes to be perfectly fit for Friday.

W. A. Oldfield very wisely refrained from batting against the M.C.C., and is making a steady recovery from his bout of influenza. H. S. Love will probably be the stumper if Oldfield is unfit.

Full scores were as follow:—

N.S.W.: 273 (D. G. Bradman 18, J. H. Fingleton 119 not out, S. McCabe 87, G. O. Allen 6 for 62, Tate 4 for 63).

M.C.C.: 530 (Sutcliffe 122, R.E.S. Wyatt 72, Nabab of Pataudi 61, Ames 90, Voce 46, S. Hird 6 for 135, W. J. O'Reilly 4 for 86).

N.S.W.: 213 (J. Cummins 71, D. G. Bradman 23, Voce 6 for 85, G. O. Allen 2 for 62, F. R. Brown 2 for 19).

—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET HURT BY DEBT APPREHENSION

British Securities
Suffer Lapse.

NEW YORK UNEASY.

London, To-day.
The disturbed state of the London market pending the result of the War Debt situation, is reflected in the pound which still maintains a low level while gilt-edged securities are weakening.

After touching a new low at \$3.17 1/2, the sterling rate on New York recovered to \$3.18 7/8 yesterday. Business on the London Stock Exchange was at a low ebb pending definite news of the War Debt situation. British funds closed above the worst, with War Loan assessed 95-15/16.

Reporting on the market situation, Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz state that the market yesterday was very dull, the chief weakness being in gilt-edged securities.

Only average business was done on the New York Stock Exchange, 600,000 shares changing hands. According to Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Co. the market undertone remains unchanged.

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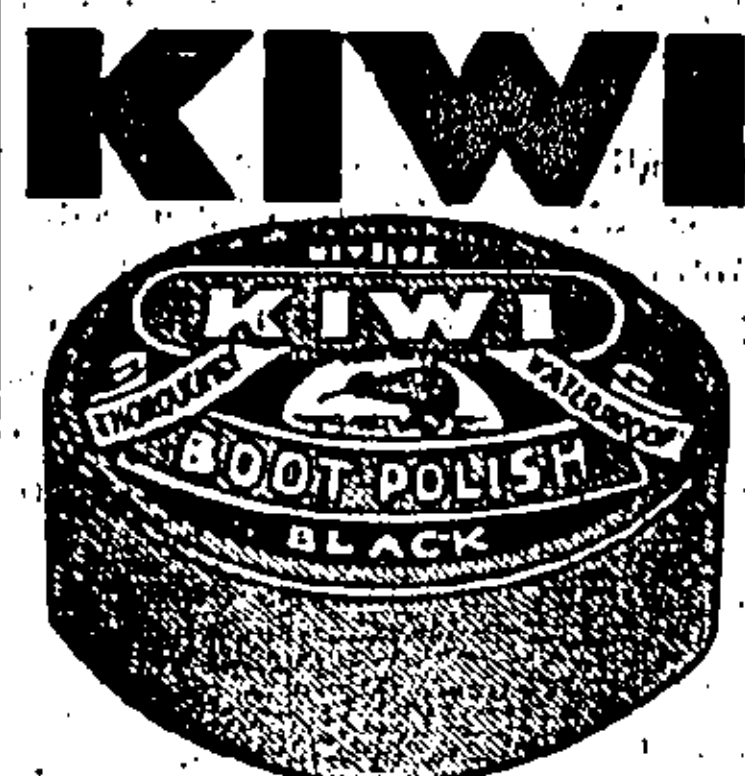
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Non-Stop Variety Of Fashions Control Modes And Own The World

MERE MAN'S VIEW

The suggestion that fashions are becoming such an important factor in business that universities will establish Chairs of Fashion, and the subject be studied as a science, was made by Mr. Holbrook Jackson, editor of the "Drapery Organiser," at the summer school of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade, at Oxford. He said:

"Almost every part of the human body at one time or other has been subjected to some kind of fashionable disfigurement, and every shape and size of figure has been fashion-able."

"Women now refuse to permit



themselves to expand in width or length, and to be correct to-day they must be rather short, somewhat flat, and very slim.

"It would be an interesting experiment for those experts who believe in cycles to predict what shape women will take in ten years' time. Probably the head and face lend themselves most readily to the fashion creator and here the variations are as numerous as they are rapid."

"At the moment parents cannot be certain whether their daughters will come to dinner with the same face that they wore at breakfast time."

"Fashion is the greatest stimulant known to commerce, and the country that controls fashions will control the world."

Illusion of Paris.

The fact of the matter is that excellent as French fashions have been, and still are, the infallibility of Paris as a fashion centre is an illusion fostered by propaganda in favour of French commercial interests. I believe that there are no insuperable difficulties to the establishment of a creative fashion trade of our own.

"Co-operation between manufacturers of fabrics and costume designers is growing, and British skill is finding definite expression in popular fashions."

Mr. T. Anthony, of Harrods, said that very few departments in a draper's store to-day were outside fashion control to a greater or lesser degree. Departments which were classed as stable departments twenty years ago were now fashion departments.

For example, the women's hosiery department had changed from a department where black was the prevailing colour and three or four qualities and prices constituted a complete range, to a department which required to-day at least ten qualities, with from 12 to 15 colours, and each colour in five different sizes.

This sudden change of fashion had taken place in practically all the main departments, and even the old blanket department had taken flight in a range of bright colours.

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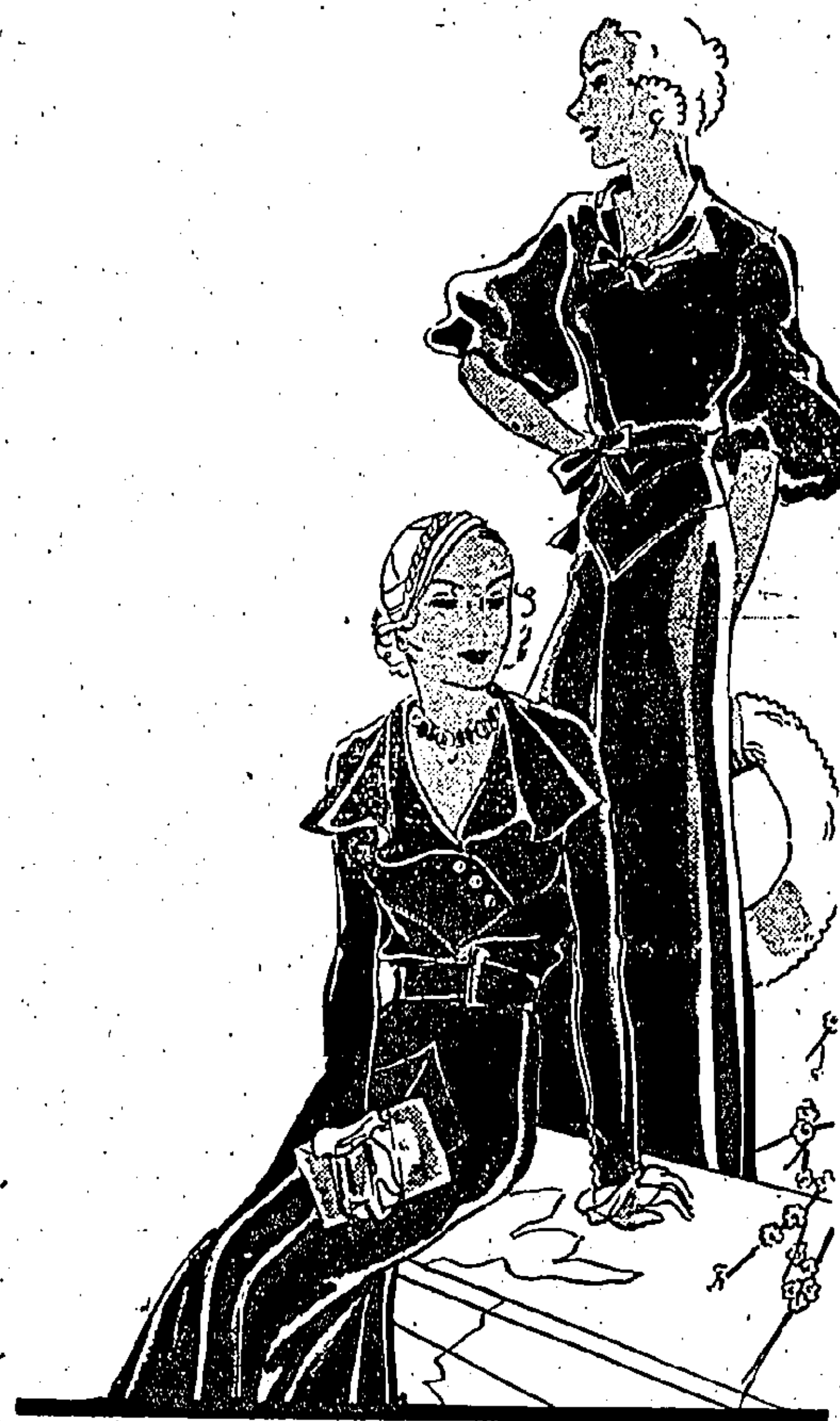
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Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Tiffin.
Kedgerie of Salmon
Hot Pot
Grated Water Chestnut Pudding
Dinner.
Giblet Soup
Clams in Bechamel Sauce
Chicken Terrapin
Carrot Fritters
Apple Bavarois

There are so many excellent ways of utilising left-over fish that where a fish dinner is being planned, it allied with silk or wool voile; but by no means amiss deliberately dresses of this kind are only post-buys one more fish than will be needed for one meal with a view to the sleeves. Elbow sleeves are also serving the remains in various ways shown on afternoon dresses and on for breakfast, tiffin or dinner the house frock where they allow for a display of bracelets.

Not only fresh fish but also tinned salmon, tuna, and salt or smoked can often be used as a change in made dishes. If the quantity of left-over fish is small, it can be extended by being combined with less expensive ingredients such as potatoes, corn meal mush, onion or pickles.

Hot Pot.

2 lb. neck of lamb, 2 lb. potatoes, 4 onions, 1½ teaspoons salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper, 1 tablespoon flour, hot water. Cut the meat into pieces. Peel the potatoes and cut into small thick pieces; slice the onions thin. Mix the salt, pepper, and flour, and roll each piece of meat in the mixture. Put a layer of potatoes in a deep dish or bowl (or wide mouthed bean pot is satisfactory) then a layer of meat, next sliced onion, repeating the process until used. Have the potatoes the last layer and fill the dish with the water. Cover closely and bake 3 hours in a moderate oven 350 degrees F. adding more water if necessary.

KIMONO SLEEVES FOR EMPHASIS.

The kimono sleeve and the dropped shoulder, sometimes with slashes of another material, emphasise the shoulder line, and there are many variations of a full sleeve, some closed at the wrists, others open.

Last season the kimono sleeve was too wide in the shoulder, but a change in the cut has improved it and it now often merges into the bodice; it is, however, better in silk than in wool.

Some frocks have sleeves of velvet or another material, emphasising the shoulder line, and there are many variations of a full sleeve, some closed at the wrists, others open.

FUR TRIMMINGS MORE MARKED.

Fur trimming has grown more marked. There are "horsecollars" on afternoon coats in silver and black fox skins from which the head and tail have been removed; they are finished with velvet removed; they are finished with velvet removed; they are finished with velvet removed; they are finished with velvet removed.

Furs are often designed to give a slimming line, but the fur sleeves which stop just below the shoulder line does not do this. The short fur cape is gradually getting longer. The cross-over in front is a favourite way of fastening, and the longer cape is dropped in a point at the back; it looks very well if it is sable, dish with the water. Cover closely Persian lamb, or ermine. For the evening there have been full-length capes, and there is no doubt that capes are returning.

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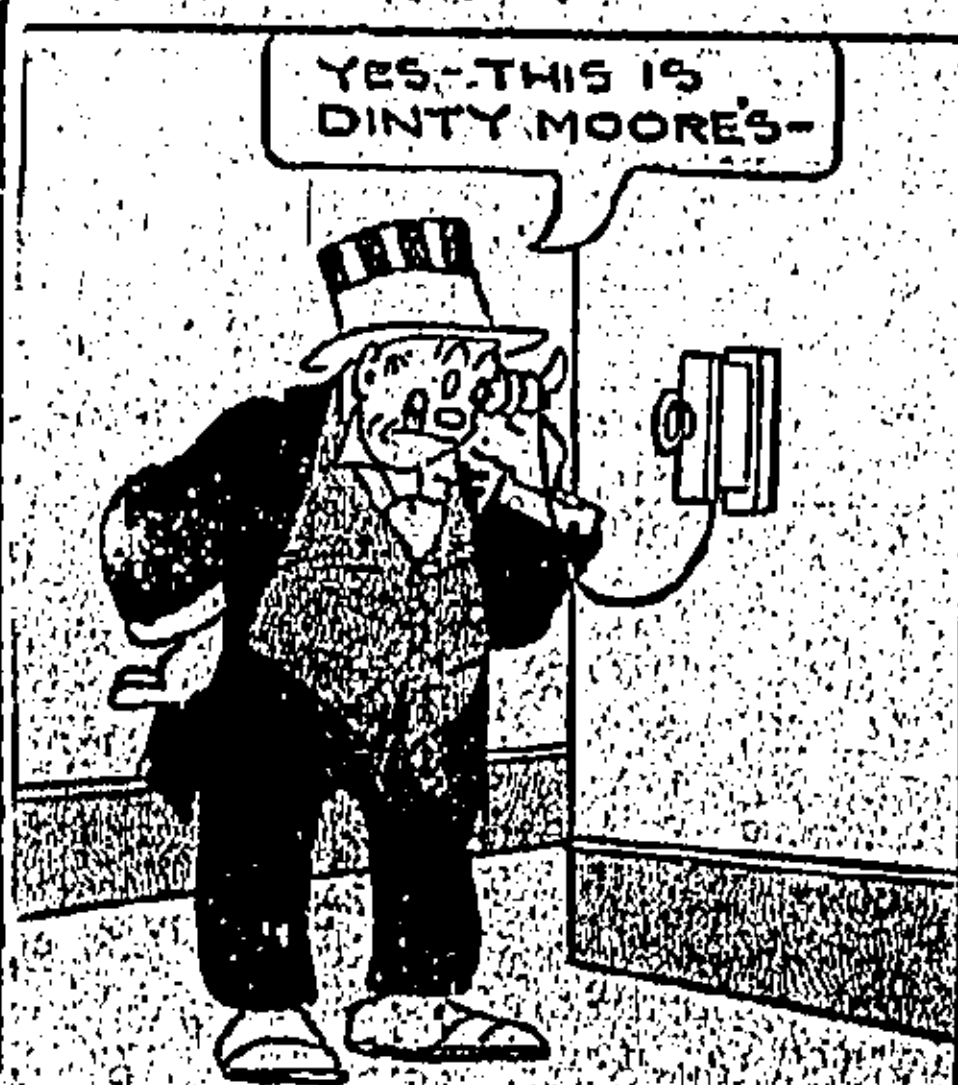
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In addition to its Annual Report, which, as is well known, records the progress that has been made in an important branch of aeronautics in the form both of general commentary and statistical information, the Directorate of Civil Aviation of the British Air Ministry is now issuing at intervals a resume of commercial information, which mainly consists of extracts from newspapers and other journals, though more official sources are not neglected. The latest of these resumes covers the period from April to July, 1932, and the countries dealt with include Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Roumania, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, the United States, and South America. In addition, there is some statistical information relating to Canada, Italy, and the United States for the years 1929 to 1931. The scope of this compilation will probably be best indicated by making some extracts from its contents, a procedure which will also enable its value to be judged by those for whom we presume, it is intended.

Under the heading of Belgium, the principal item of information is that subsidies are to be paid to light aeroplane clubs either to purchase or to repair such machines as have been acquired in this way. Similar assistance towards the operation of the machines and the training of new pilots will also be available. In the first case, the subsidy may be paid either for the machine or for the engine, the former being fixed at 50 per cent. of its value with a maximum of 2881, though this sum will be reduced to 751 if the machine is of foreign design and construction. The maximum subsidies for the engine will be 571 and 191 in the two cases.

It will be interesting to see what effect the application of these not ungenerous terms have on the progress of civil aviation in Belgium. Subsidies of 121 are also to be granted to persons who obtain private licences in France during 1932. On the other hand, in Denmark the subsidies of 250,000 kroner and 100,000 kroner which the Danske Luftfartsselskab have been receiving from the Danish Government and from the city of Copenhagen res-

China Building For
Chicago\$400,000 Appropriated
For World Fair

ASSURANCE OF FUNDS

"When the Century of Progress Exposition opens on June 1 next year in Chicago, you will see China there to participate," declares Mr. Z. L. Chang, director of the department of Exposition Affairs of the Chinese Government Commission in charge of preparation for the international event in Chicago.

Accepting the formal invitation from the government of the United States, Mr. Chang explained, the Chinese Government last year made an appropriation of \$400,000 to finance China's participation at the Chicago fair. Of this fund an initial instalment has already been

paid. Definite assurances have been received from the minister of finance Mr. T. V. Soong, to the effect that the entire sum will be made available in a very short time. The national government placed the duty of preparing for China's participation under the charge of the Ministry of Industry. The first plans for China's participation were made by Dr. H. H. Kung, who was minister of industry until the beginning of this year. But not much progress was made until July when Mr. Chen Kung-po, new minister of industry, created a special commission to take full charge of the preparatory work. This commission is known as "China Commission, International Exposition, Chicago, 1933."

Prominent Men.
The standing committee of the commission includes well-known names such as Dr. P. W. Kuo who is always active in Sino-American affairs, the popular banker, Mr. Han Hain-lo, Mr. Wang Shao-lai, chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Ling Kong-hou, secretary of the Chinese Bankers Association, and several others. While the policy of the commission is controlled by the Ministry of Industry in Nanking, the executive work is done principally in Shanghai where Minister Chen is ably represented by Mr. P. Y. Ho, director of the Bureau of Foreign Trade. The commission holds its weekly meeting every Friday afternoon in the offices of the Bureau of Foreign Trade under the chairmanship of Mr. Ho.

Plans Still Incomplete.
The main work of the Commission at present is to plan for the construction of the Chinese Government Building to be built in Chicago and the collection of exhibits. Through the Ministry of Industry all the provincial and municipal governments have been invited to give their co-operation in the gathering of exhibits throughout the country. Mr. Tsai, director of the exhibits Department, is now on a tour visit-

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pectively, are to be seriously reduced. This step, according to a Swedish paper, is not, however, unpopular, as the services operated are not well patronised. The same course is also to be followed in the Dutch East Indies, where the subsidy is being reduced by 8,2581. As regards services the policy adopted in the different countries is equally varying. According to a local French journal, the Air Orient Company hopes to extend its service from Hanoi to Southern China, while a reorganisation of the Societe de Propagande Aeriennne, which was constituted last year with a view to organising air meetings in France and North China, may also lead to important developments, though its activities are at present mainly confined to propaganda flying. In Germany a number of improvements in the Luft-Hansa services were introduced during the Summer. These included the introduction of express flights between Berlin and Munich in 3½ hours and between Berlin and Rome in 3½ hours, while the time between Berlin and Copenhagen was reduced by 25 minutes. The "aerobus" service between Cologne and Frankfurt, which was introduced in 1931, was also in operation, giving three ordinary daily flights between the two cities. These improvements have been accompanied by fare reductions.

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HOSPITAL FOR
CHANGCHOW.Former Magistracy.
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YEARS OF EFFORT.

After 15 years of working, the Changchow General Hospital is to have a modern building of its own. It will be a modern concrete affair, with all up-to-date conveniences, including heating, plumbing, lighting and signals and it will be known as the Changchow General Hospital Stephenson Memorial. It has been made possible through a generous gift of G\$25,000 from Mrs. Ida L. Stephenson, of San Antonio, Texas, in addition to gifts of G\$1,000 each from Mrs. W. B. Russell and Mrs. Latimer Johnson.

The Changchow General Hospital was founded by the Methodist Episcopal Church (South) at the request of the city's leading gentry, who approached the mission leaders in 1918 and promised liberal support for the venture. Dr. W. B. Russell, B. A. M. D., F. A. C. S., was sent there as first foreign doctor and superintendent and he held the post until his death from typhus fever in 1925, when Dr. R. M. Paty, Jr., the present superintendent, was sent to continue the work which Dr. Russell had started.

The site, the old police magistracy's yamen, with the yamen prison adjoining it, was donated by the people of the city and, after all these years, the former prisons are still being used to accommodate the patients. The police yamen was immediately altered and make-shifts were made to transform it into a clinic and hospital. Though the efforts made were crude and the doctors were distinctly handicapped in their work, the hospital became the place for the relief of pain and suffering and disease. In the course of events, a doctor's residence, a 400 ft. deep well, together with a 60 ft. high tower to give clean water, were added and, later, a modern nurses' home was built to house the nursing staff.

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ing Hangchow, Hankow, Nanking, Peiping, Tientsin and Canton. Enthusiastic responses have been received from all over the country and exhibits are daily coming to the Bureau for the Testing of Commercial Commodities has its offices, and where Mr. Tsai's large and efficient staff are working over-time in order to cope with their additional duties.

Iron And Steel Depression

Reflected In Fall Of
Shipments.

Imports of iron and steel to the Tsoos for September, from foreign ports and coastwise, totalled 6,485 tons, comprising 10 tons of pig iron; 5,937 tons of crude sheet bars, billets, blooms and slabs; and 538 tons of plates, bars, angles, rails, sheets and joists. Aggregate unloading for August amounted to 5,162 tons comprising 781 tons of pig iron, 3,832 tons of crude sheet bars, &c., and 549 tons of plates, bars, angles, &c., whilst imports in the pre-war September of 1913 totalled only 1,164 tons, comprising 1,115 tons of pig iron, 9 tons of crude

sheet bars, &c., and 40 tons of plates, bars, angles, &c. Persistent depression in the iron, and steel trade is reflected in the further decline in shipments of iron and steel. Aggregate loadings at Tsoos ports last month amounted to only 30,832 tons, or 5,060 tons less than in August, and the lowest figure recorded in any month since January. Manufactured iron and steel shipments declined from 28,096 tons in August to 24,693 tons in September, principally owing to the termination of deliveries to Russia. Of the pig-iron cleared last month, 3,336 tons went to Scotland out of a total of 5,639 tons. China took most manufactured iron, accepting 427 tons. Principal customers for steel last month were: The Union of South Africa, 4,120 tons; India, 1,609 tons; and Argentina, 1,480 tons.—Engineering.

TRACTORS TESTED
ON RAILWAYS.Australia Making
Experiments.

Some experiments have recently been conducted on the Victorian Government Railways to ascertain whether motor tractors converted for use on rails could be employed for light haulage on branch lines. The results, it is stated, have been satisfactory and a tractor, fitted with a gear box to give speeds up to 25 miles an hour, has made a number of trial trips on the Kerang-Stony Crossing line. If, on further investigation, the system gives complete satisfaction, similar equipment may be introduced on other branch lines. It is stated that the weight of the converted tractor is five tons and that the operating cost is about one-sixth of that of a steam locomotive.—Engineering.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES

Nov. 26, June, June,
1932, 1913, 1914.
Cts. Cts. Cts.

Butcher Meat.

Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb.	34	24	12
" Prime Cut	"	"	30	23	11
" Corned	咸牛肉	"	40	23	12
" Roast	燒牛肉	"	34	24	22
" Breast	牛腩肉	"	32	20	18
" Soup	鴨肉	"	28	20	18
" Steak	牛排	"	34	24	22
" Steak Sirloin	牛柳	"	46	30	25
" Sausages	牛腸	"	36	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	17	10	12
" Tongue, fresh	牛舌	each	80	50	60
" Tongue, corned	鹹牛舌	"	1.00	60	—
" Head	牛頭	lb.	24	18	14
" Heart	牛心	"	—	20	18
" Hump, Salt	牛肩	"	12	10	12
" Feet	牛腳	"	15	10	12
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	27	20	22
" Tail	牛尾	lb.	26	13	14
" Liver	牛肝	"	8	6	7
" Tripe	牛肚	set	1.50	1.00	1.00
Calves' Head & Feet	牛頭腳	set	1.50	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	60	25	—
" Leg	羊腿	"	60	26	—
" Shoulder	羊肩	"	60	24	—
" Saddle	羊鞍	"	60	27	—
Pig's Chittlings	豬蹄	Per set	4	—	—
" Brains	豬腦	lb.	16	15	—
" Feet	豬腳	"	30	16	18
" Fry	豬什	"	18	20	—
" Head	豬頭	each	15	10	10
" Heart	豬心	"	15	10	8
" Kidneys	豬腰	lb.	52	80	24
" Liver	豬肝	"	36	25	23
Pork Chop	排骨	"	37	—	—
" Leg	豬腿	"	43	60	70
" Loins	豬腰	"	24	21	—
" Fat or Lard	豬油	Per set	90	60	70
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	each	12	8	7
" Heart	羊心	"	15	12	10
" Kidneys	羊腰	"	45	25	25
" Liver	羊肝	lb.	25	25	22
Sucking Pig, to order	乳豬	"	34	20	18
Suet, Beef	牛油	"	45	26	28
" Mutton	羊油	"	45	26	20
" Sausages	牛腸	"	23	—	—
No. 1					

Fish.

Barbel	鰻魚	lb.	54	16	24
Bream	鱖魚	"	20	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish	淡水魚	"	20	—	—
Carp	魚	"	25	18	16
Catfish	魚	"	24	18	27
Codfish	魚	"	30	12	9
Crabs	蟹	"	50	15	24
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	20	23	26
Dab	魚	"	26	18	27
Dace	魚	"	40	23	16
Dog Fish	魚	"	18	10	—
Eels, Conger	魚	"	80	10	8
" Fresh Water	魚	"	90	16	—
" Yellow	魚	"	46	10	8
Frogs	魚	"	75	26	80
Garnopa	魚	"	85	82	25
Gudgeon	魚	"	20	40	30
Herrings	魚	"	25	22	18
Halibut	魚	"	80	18	28
Labrus	魚	"	26	18	15
Loach	魚	"	75	22	18
Lobsters	魚	"	68	62	34
Mackerel	魚	"	40	32	21
Monk Fish	魚	"	48	30	20
Mullet	魚	"	36	18	2
Oysters	魚	"	40	12	2
Parrot Fish	魚	"	24	14	9
Pearl	魚	"	24	30	15
Pike	魚	"	88	16	9
Plaice	魚	"	50	36	29
Pomfret, White	魚	"	45	38	30
Pomfret, Black	魚	"	38	36	45
Prawns	魚	"	75	10	14
Ray	魚	"	18	10	14
Rock Fish	魚	"	20	18	18
Roach	魚	"	30	22	10
Salmon	魚	"	56	36	80
Shark	魚	"	18	9	10
Skate	魚	"	18	10	10
Shrimps	魚	"	40	36	30
Snapper	魚	"	42	38	30
Soles	魚	"	30	22	28
Tench	魚	"	30	22	28
Turbot	魚	"	22	12	12
Turtles, small to water	魚	"	120	12	12

Poultry.

Chicken	雞	lb.	64	30	31
Capons, Small	雞	"	66	28	30
Capons, Large	雞	"	66	28	30
Duck	鴨	"	45	22	21
Doves	鴿	each	35	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	36	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	38	22	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	76	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	60	35	24
Geese	鵝	"	45	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	55	30	—
" Hollow	白鴿	"	52	29	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞	lb.	75	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	72	61	45
Snipe	山雞	each	25	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	each	25	—	—
Quail	山雞	each	25	—	—
Partridges	山雞	"	1.00	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	30	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	28	26	—
Bananas (bride's)	番山香蕉	"	7	4	—
Carambols	楊桃	"	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	25	30
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	32	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00	25	30
Oranges, (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	12	—	—
Oranges	橙	"	16	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	18	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12
Persees, Large	紅柿	"	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	"	—	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	18	12	6
Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	26	—	10
Grapes	菩提子	"	60	—	—

Vegetables, Etc.

Artichokes	鴨芝	each	8	—	2
Beans, Sprout	芽豆	lb.	5	—	7
" Long	長豆	"	—	—	8
Beet Root	紅頭菜	"	19	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	"	8	24	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	"	10	5	8
" Red	紅瓜	"	6	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	"	12	—	—
" (Shanghai)	上海菜	"	—	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	竹筴	"	4	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大花椰菜	each	30	—	—
" (Medium)	中花椰菜	"	25	—	—
" (Small)	小花椰菜	"	20	6	5
Carrots	金絲菜	lb.	8	5	6
Celery, Chinese	美芹	"	12	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	"	18	25	8
" Red	紅辣椒	"	15	10	10
" Green	青辣椒	"	8	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	印度香料	"	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	"	8	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	"	6	6	—
Ginger, Young	薑	"	10	7	—
" Old	老薑	"	8	20	—
Horseradish, Shanghai	上海蔞	"	60	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	each	45	—	—
Lettuce	生菜	lb.	12	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	"	18	—	8
" Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	"	14	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	"	—	1	10
Okraes	茄子	"	—	8	8
Onions, Bombay	生薑	"	8	8	8
" Green	青蔥	"	6	4	6
" Shanghai	上海蔥	"	6	4	6
Paraley	芥菜	"	20	60	8
Potato, Sweet	甘薯	"	5	8	—
" Japanese	日本薯仔	"	—	3	—
" American	金山薯仔	"	8	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	"	5	4	4
Radish	紅頭菜	"	5	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大芥菜	"	—	10	10
Shallots	小蔥	"	14	—	—
Spinach	菠菜	"	8	8	—
Tomatoes	番茄	"	12	4	—
Taro	芋頭	"	8	6	—
Turnips, Potatoes (Long)	馬鈴薯	"	6	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	毛茛	"	—	4	—
Water Cress	蔞	"	8	16	—
Water Lily Root	蔞	"	6	15	—

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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AND IN THE MATTER OF THE TAI TUNG MATCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION
Passed 10th November, 1932
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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Tai Tung Match Company, Limited, duly convened and held at the office of the Company, Asiatic Building, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 10th day of November, 1932, the sub-joined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed and at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company also duly convened and held at the same place on Saturday, the 26th day of November, 1932, the sub-joined Extraordinary Resolution was duly confirmed as a Special Resolution, namely:—

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that 'Archibald Ritchie and David Scott Robb, both of Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, be appointed joint and several Liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.'"

H. A. PEARSON,
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Hong Kong, 26th Nov., 1932.

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LICENCES GIVEN TO RESTAURANTEURS.

Airlie Hotel Plans Entertainment.

At a meeting of the Licensing Board yesterday, five out of six applications were favourably considered. The sixth was refused because the applicant failed to appear.

The application of Ma Tau-nam and Fung Pak-lau for an hotel-keeper's adjunct licence in respect of the Empress Hotel, was extended for one year.

The licence for the Mee Chow Hotel, Des Voeux Road Central, was renewed for six months.

Mr. G. Kitchell's application for a restaurant keeper's adjunct licence in respect of the Cafe Alexandra was extended for one year.

The South China Restaurant's licence was renewed.

The Airlie Hotel was granted a hotel adjunct licence. The hotel plans to commence dance programmes shortly.

Eight men rowed for over ten hours in an open boat when the Newcastle steamer Bradale (J. Gillespie, 406 tons) foundered in the Channel early yesterday morning. They eventually reached Brightstone, Isle of Wight completely exhausted by their battle with high seas.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.
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By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 28th Nov., 1932.

CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"VIENNESE NIGHTS"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

With honours evenly divided between Vivienne Segal, daughter of a cobbler, and the charming and delightful, and yet remotional, lyrics of Sigmund Romberg, "Viennese Nights" is the current attraction at the Queen's Theatre. Miss Segal, has the greatest role of her audible celluloid career.

In "Viennese Nights" she dominates three generations of her and another family the thematic motif, "the deathlessness of beauty," and ultimately witnesses the union of the third generations, where family pride had prevented it in the first.

Jean Hersholt, veteran character actor, more than amply fills the role of the ambitious German father. Louise Fazenda is the fluffy, gossiping bit to perfection and Walter Pidgeon the typical youthful baron. Bert Roach left little to be desired in his characterisations of three generations. Miss Alice Day, Miss June Purcell and Mr. Milton Douglas filled handily the supporting sides.

MAIL REVIEW

"LADY AND GENT"—KING'S THEATRE.

George Bancroft and Wynne Gibson are cast as a couple of self-styled "big timers" who dwell on the shady side of Broadway, in the Paramount production "Lady and Gent" the current attraction at the King's Theatre. Charles Starrett, James Gleason, John Wayne, and Joyce Compton have other leading roles.

The uneven tenor of their lives becomes even more when Bancroft's best friend suddenly dies, leaving a 12-year-old son alone in the world. Just what their responsibilities to the lad are, they sit down to consider.

And they reach a conclusion that produces results as whimsical as they are radical.

"Lady and Gent" was written especially for Bancroft by Grover Jones and William Slavens McNutt. Stephen Roberts directed.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE WHITE HELL OF FITZ PALU"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

As an amazing spectacle and tense human drama, "The White Hell of Fitz Palu" which is now showing at the Central Theatre, is sensational motion picture fare. More than that, it is an absolutely new kind of picture.

The story of the picture is simple and elemental. A bride and groom spend their honeymoon in a cabin on the icy slopes of Fitz Palu, a peak in the high Alps. They are interrupted by Dr. Kraft, whose own honeymoon three years before ended tragically there when his young wife was lost on the perilous North Wall of the peak.

The grandeur of the ice-covered mountains, the terror of their falling burden of snow and their terrible loneliness are captured in some of the most astounding photography that has yet been screened.

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MAIL REVIEW

"MY SIN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.

The redemption of two human delects is told in Fox's thrilling social drama "My Sin," starring Fredric March and Tallulah Bankhead, the current attraction at the Majestic Theatre.

The film depicts March, once a famous lawyer, as a shabby and unshaven wreck. But he resents being called a beggar. He meets Miss Bankhead, who portrays Carotta. A murder occurs, and she is accused of the crime. March defends her and is successful.

The supporting cast includes Harry Davenport, Scott Kolk, Anne Sutherland, and Margaret Adams. George Abbott directed the film. Recommended!

MAIL REVIEW

"TRADER HORN"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

"Trader Horn" the great travel film directed by W. S. Van Dyke, is now showing at the Oriental Theatre, on its return release in the Colony. Alostina Horn, the traveller and Camilla Horn are in the leading roles. Throughout the scenes are intensely interesting and there are many exciting moments. Recommended!

MAIL REVIEW

"SUSAN LENNOX"—STAR THEATRE.

Greta Garbo, the famous Swedish star, does great work in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's production "Susan Lennox" now showing at the Star Theatre. The fall and rise of Susan Lennox is depicted by Miss Garbo with tenacity of purpose. Clark Gable is cast opposite her in the leading role, and Jean Hersholt also renders excellent support. Well worth seeing!

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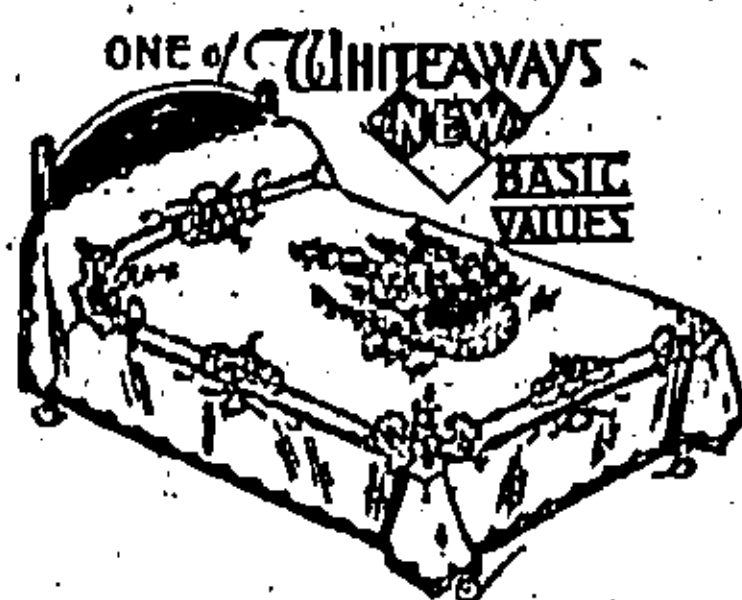
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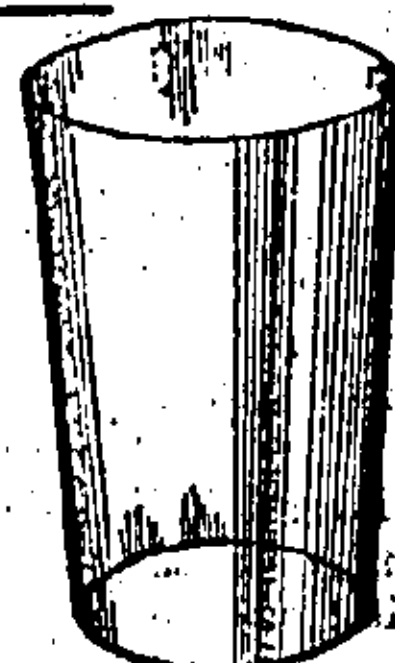
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When Confidence Returns.

There could be no doubt in the mind of any one who listened to recent indications in business circles that revival of hopefulness about the financial outlook has begun. It could not be said to reflect a marked change in the business situation. Production and consumption of goods continue very low in all countries and a series of company reports from Britain and the United States show earnings that fail to cover expenses and fixed charges, and sometimes do not meet even operating expenses. Whatever of cheerfulness has come into the financial mind was not derived from tangible industrial recovery. It may have been occasioned by the persistent advance on the New York Stock Exchange; but it cannot be overlooked that a vigorous movement of the kind is bound to be as much result as cause of improving financial sentiment. There is a well-grounded tradition in financial circles, supported by long experience, that while the course of prices on the Stock Exchange in the long run correctly indicates the general trend of trade and industry, its more emphatic movements are apt to reflect primarily the state of the financial mind. This brings us back to the original question what revival of confidence at this particular moment actually means. It probably means that the extreme apprehension regarding the course of events in the immediate future has been shaken or removed. During more than a year the financial and business community has been under the influence of a succession of events, each of which was described as a portent of sure and immediate disaster. The prolonged decline of staple prices, the bank failures, the collapse of public revenue, the panic in European banking circles, the run on German and British reserves, the suspension of gold payments by Great Britain, and the huge withdrawal of gold from the United States, as Europe's central banks called

home their "reserves abroad"—these sinister occurrences, following close on one another's heels, had not only broken down financial confidence but had given rise to the most extravagant ideas of impending consequences. None of the predicted calamities has occurred. Governments have gone honestly to work adjusting revenue to expenditure. Germany has been protected from another break-down of her currency. England has strengthened her international position and is rebuilding her shattered gold reserve. Not only have gold exports from the United States ended, but since the middle of June \$82,000,000 gold has been added to the Federal Reserve. It is possible that the Stock Exchange has been reflecting automatically, not only return of confidence in the financial mind but hope that this scattering of financial thunder-clouds will eventually change the prevailing sentiment in the business mind. The extent to which such expectation will be fulfilled, and when, is always puzzling. The belief entertained in many experienced trade circles that production, during the period of acute apprehensions, has fallen far below the requirements for replacement and peremptory needs, is perhaps the most reasonable ground for anticipating recovery, once confidence is restored. The bearing of these considerations on the immediate future is as yet more or less matter of conjecture. But the fall in prices of commodities has also been checked. The average rose appreciably last month, for the first time in the present year. The recovery may not continue; yet it must be remembered that the decline in prices for merchandise, like the decline in stock prices, had been abnormally prolonged and established utterly abnormal levels from which the recoil would necessarily be considerable. If return of business confidence were to stimulate increased purchases, it is at least possible that financial reminiscence in the longer future will describe and classify the unlimited pessimism which prevailed not very long ago, alike in finance and in general business, as similar in character and duration to the extravagant ideas of perpetually rising prosperity which prevailed two or three years ago.

HERE THERE and EVERYWHERE.

School-boy "howlers" were quoted to Rotarians at Salisbury by Mr. H. S. Disbrow, headmaster of the Modern School at Salisbury.

Mr. Disbrow said that "the present system of cramming too many subjects on the pupil is responsible to a large extent for the perpetration of 'howlers,' and it is the child who is just beginning to get ideas who gets them confused."

Dull children, he added, rarely make "howlers."

Here are some of Mr. Disbrow's examples of "Howlers":—

Mr. Lloyd George is the "Prime Mixture of England."

"Mr. Lloyd George saved his country like Joan of Arc, but they have not burned him yet."

Mary is ill with an "illustrated throat with glaciers on both sides."

Tom has "inflammation of in the consola."

Your Daily Smile.

THE WORM.

"Is your husband a bookworm?"

"No, just an ordinary one."

IN SYMPATHY.

BOBBIE (in church): Mama, what will become of all those flowers on the altar?

MOTHER: They will be given to those who are sick at the close of the services.

HER ONE CHANCE.

MABEL: It was quite thrilling at the movies. A man proposed to me in the dark—a perfect stranger.

MARIE: Really! And when is the wedding?

EXIT NURSE.

"Mumma, you're not nearly so pretty as Nurse."

"Don't you think so, dear?"

"No. We've been walking around the park for an hour and not a single soldier has kissed you."

Facts You Did Not Know.

Studies by Cornell University astronomers have indicated that meteors travel at a speed of approximately 100 miles a second.

Work will begin in October on the first section of a truck highway to connect the Italian cities of Genoa, Milan and Turin.

Battery terminals have been invented that are wedged to battery posts instead of using the more easily corroded bolts and nuts.

Two University of Cincinnati scientists have developed a mercury vapour lamp small enough to be held in the palm of a hand to provide a compact source of intense illumination.

News in Brief.

Mr. R. Ponsbury Fane has lately returned from a visit to Hong Kong to his residence in Kyoto. He has just published a book about Kyoto.

Two cases of diphtheria and three cases of enteric fever, (one imported), were notified to the Health Authorities during the week ending Nov. 27.

A meeting for the election of officers for 1933 will be held by the Anti-Mut Tsi Association, at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. building to-night at 7.30 p.m.

A marriage will shortly take place between Mr. Adolphe Marie Ghislain (the atom), of 5, Kent Road, Kowloon, and Miss Elizabeth Mande, of 7, Suffolk Road, Kowloon.

Mr. G. P. de Martin, the Director of Education, has consented to distribute the prizes of the Peak School on December 22. The function will be held in the Peak Club, commencing at 5.15 p.m.

Two child-stealers, Tsui Chan, aged 41, and his 19-year-old wife, were sentenced by the Central Police Court yesterday to fifteen months' hard labour on conviction of being concerned in the abduction of a 6-year-old boy, Tsui Ngai-tin, from Chinese territory.

France A Nation Of "Individuals"

Only In War People Rally To State

CANNY PEASANT RACE

The personality of a nation is a striking thing. A people lives, behaves and reacts like an organism, and, when highly civilized, like an individual. National reactions may differ widely, a fact that is particularly noticeable during a crisis which brings a country within an ace of death or ruin. During the war each belligerent instinctively adopted the methods of warfare that suited it best; the French acted above all as individuals, the English as a magnificent nation, and the Germans as a highly organized State, writes a correspondent.

The same tendencies were again apparent when it came to the economic reconstruction, and it was necessary painfully to trace a way through the crises that resulted from the world catastrophe. Nevertheless, it was by different methods that France restored her devastated areas, and England defended herself when her financial credit was threatened twice over. It so happened that certain faults and also certain defects, inherent in the national character of each nation, ultimately contributed to the successful issue.

It is the psychology which emerges from these two efforts to reconstruct, that I wish to study in this article.

An Individual.

A Frenchman is essentially an individual who believes that one can live as an individual, even in a modern community. He insists on thinking and judging for himself, convinced not only of his right but also of his ability to do so. When the country is in danger, this patriot—*for he is a patriot*—rushes to the frontier and sacrifices his life for France. But it is then, and only then, that he becomes a citizen in the spirit of the ancients, with whom, moreover, he is directly connected.

When the national danger is passed, or, more accurately, the military danger, the individual reappears behind the citizen, and is often even in direct opposition to him. His family ties claim him once more, and exert a prior, almost an exclusive claim on his devotion and sacrifice. A Frenchman is usually inclined to consider the State an adversary against which he must defend himself unless he does not happen to regard it as a Mycenae from whom it is a question of obtaining favours. When he is engrossed in his personal or family preoccupations, his duty toward the community tends to fade and become unreal. His household, that intersexual form of egotism, and his family come first, an attitude that is confirmed by public opinion.

State Is Neglected.

At first sight one might be tempted to believe that this concentration on the family, although imbued with altruism, threatens the rights of the State. In the last analysis, however, the State loses nothing, for in times of crisis it is able to make use of the precious national reserves which French families accumulate in this way. These inviolable subterranean reserves afford an unsuspected strength which astonishes the world. We must accept this aspect of the structure of French society, which relies normally upon the silent, instinctive, apparently selfish effort of millions of individuals who, without even realising it, are working for the community.

The fact that the social centre of gravity is placed in the individual (the atom), or rather in the family (the molecule), is of prime importance, and it is here that we discern the first and fundamental contrast between France and England. The English possess, as we have bound to admit, more public spirit, but when we come to the actual practice of financial wisdom, the French show their finest qualities in the conduct of their private lives. The former pay their taxes better, but the latter are more thrifty. Confucius has said somewhere that the Chinese moral code permits a man to defraud the State in order to take care of his aged father, and possibly more than one Frenchman is also of this opinion.

A Canny Nation.

Let us take at random a typical Frenchman, a peasant, or a man of the middle class for preference. We place was filled with hawkers.

U.S. EDUCATIONIST VISITING HERE.

To Renew Contract With University.

Dr. Wannamaker, representative of the New York Committee of the Ling Nam University, Canton, arrived here yesterday on the a.s. President Grant to renew the contract between the American Board of Control of the University and the Canton Government.

The doctor was the guest of honour at a dinner party given last night by the alumni of the University in Hong Kong. Dr. Sze To-in presided, and among others present were Mr. Wong Kut-shiu, Mr. Ma Ying-pui and Mr. Lim Woo.

DARING DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

Compradore's Suitcase Snatched.

A daring daylight robbery of took place yesterday afternoon at 5.30 p.m., when Chan Ah-Tat, the comprador of the a.s. Daviken, was dragged from his ricksha by four men, while proceeding to the Ping On Boarding House from Jardine's wharf.

At the corner of Des Voeux Road West and Centre Street, the attack attracted the attention of neighbours who came to Chan's rescue. An Indian constable gave chase to the fugitives, arresting one of the four men with Chan's suitcase. The others escaped.

NEW POLICE DOCK IN KOWLOON.

Crowded With Hawkers On Opening Day.

The Tsui Sha Tsui Police Station of Kowloon is the last station in the Colony to be provided with a dock of their own.

A new dock has been erected in the station and will accommodate more law-breakers than any other in the Colony. The official opening took place yesterday, when the dock was filled with hawkers.

KWANGSI TO SEND AIRMEN TO ENGLAND

Modelling Force On British Lines.

MODEL FLYING FLEET.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, To-day.

The Kwangsi Government have taken a further step in providing for their air defence scheme. They have now erected a school for flying instruction, securing the services of Mr. A. V. Harvey, of the Far East Aviation Co., as instructor.

Nothing but the best planes available have been bought, all being of English manufacture. The Kwangsi Government now possess a fleet of 21 ships, which consist of 12 training machines, four pursuit, three fighting and two bombing planes.

In order to provide the best pilots for these planes, the Government intend sending a number of local flying men to England for further studies in flying conditions and construction.

At present, those able to go cannot speak the English language well enough to understand an English instructor, and have been advised to remain in Kwangsi a little longer in order to fit themselves.

The Kwangsi Government are now negotiating with a Hong Kong firm for a further supply of pursuit planes with which to strengthen their defence force.

PERSIA WOULD END OIL CONCESSION

But British Company Offers Objection.

Teheran, To-day.

The Government has officially notified the Anglo-Persian Oil Company of the annulment of the D'Arcy Concession and adds it is willing to consider fresh terms of agreement.

It is learned in London that the company has informed the Persian Government that the concession does not provide for cancellation and they cannot accept the Government's present notification. — Reuter.

LEAGUE SEEKS AMERICAN AND SOVIET HELP.

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Paragraph Three of Article Fifteen of the Covenant, with the object of reaching an agreeable settlement.

If, after a given period (sixty days is mentioned) these efforts fail, then other methods may be resorted to and Paragraph Four of the same Article would probably operate, involving the drafting of a Report. It would be most hazardous to predict what may happen thereafter.

The Council adjourned till Monday next so that apart from the formal meeting of the Commission of Nineteen on Thursday, the week is likely to be quiet. — Reuter.

Simon Satisfied.

Foreign Secretary Sir John Simon, replying to a Parliamentary question, said the League Council, after a further meeting yesterday, decided to transmit the Lytton Report for consideration of the League Assembly. This decision was taken with full concurrence of the United Kingdom delegate, he added.—British Wireless Service.

NEW UNIFORMS FOR ARMY.

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The decision is not final regarding the trousers, but those shown yesterday were similar to the Guards pattern with short web leggings.

The purpose of the new uniform is to reduce weight and increase comfort and generally to be more hygienic.

The new equipment, which is about seven pounds lighter and discards the waterbottle and haversack and reduces the size of the bayonet, has a new pattern trenching tool and contains an easily detachable pouch.

The equipment has been issued to two battalions as an experiment. — British Wireless Service.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s).

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor records.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc. A relay of the Rotary Club Timin Speech from the Gloucester Building Restaurant. Lieut. Col. H. L. Murray on "The Industrial Position in Great Britain."

2 p.m. (approx.)—Close Down.

5-7 p.m.—Chinese programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European programme.

7 p.m.—Stock Quotations, etc.

7.3-7.20 p.m.—Orchestral programme kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

Marche Slave (Tchaikovsky) Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski 6613.

Martha—Overture (Flotow) Victor Symphony Orchestra 35916.

8 p.m.—(Local Time & Weather Report.)

7.20-9 p.m.—A relay of "Viennese Nights" from the Queen's Theatre by courtesy of the Management.

9-9.45 p.m.—A Wagner Programme. All records are from Z.B.W.'s Library with the exception of "The Love Duet" from "Tristan and Isolde" which is kindly loaned by a Listener.

Tannhauser—Overture Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

Tristan and Isolde Act II—The Great Love Duet.

1. "O Sank! Hernieder, Nacht der Liebe" Gunnar Graarud & Nanny Larsen-Todsen.

2. "O eyre Nacht" Gunnar Graarud, Nanny Larsen-Todsen & Rudolf Bockelmann.

3. "Weid'ache Wache" Nanny Larsen-Todsen & Gunnar Graarud.

4. "Was Sturbe Dem Tod" Gunnar Graarud, Nanny Larsen-Todsen & Nanny Holm.

5. "Wonne Hehsten Wehen" Gunnar Graarud, Nanny Larsen-Todsen & Nanny Holm.

The Valkyries—The Ride of the Valkyries Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

9.15-10.15 p.m.—Instrumental.

Violin Solo—Caprice (Griegew).

Violin Solo—(a) The Bee (Schubert) (b) Waltz in D Flat (Chopin) Alexander Schmidt 20614.

Piano Solo—Under the Palms (Albeniz) Alfred Cortot 1271.

Cello Solo—Serenata Napoletana (Sgambati) Intermezzo (Vivaldi) Fabio Casals 1542.

Piano Solo—Paganini Etude in E Flat Major (Liszt-Busoni) Danse Exotique (Horowitz-Demeny) Vladimir Horowitz 1408.

Violin Solo—Letter of Love (Cul-Elman) At Evening (Friml-Krame) Mischa Elman 1160.

11.15-10.30 p.m.—Variety.

Song—Moon Song Irene Beasley V-40125.

Humorous Song—Taught Me How to Play the Second Fiddle Frank Crumit 22859.

Fox Trot—Louisiana Paul Whiteman & His Orch. 21482.

Song—My Blue Eyed Jane Jimmie Rodgers 23549.

10.30 p.m.—Regby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

All records in the Instrumental & Variety programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

DWARFS TRAFALGAR SQUARE.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

Construction of what is claimed to be the largest city square in Europe, covering an area more than six times that of Trafalgar Square, has begun here. The square is to be bordered by ten and twelve-storey houses, and is being named after Desjardins, the friend of Lenin who was head of the Chaka.

FRESH AND FINE.

The Royal Observatory's weather reports for to-day state—

The anti-cyclone remains stationary over N. China and a depression is passing into the Pacific to the south of Hokkaido.

The position of the typhoon is uncertain. It is probably situated to the east of N. Luzon, moving northward.

Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the China Coast and over the Northern China Sea.

(Forecast:—North-east winds, fresh, fine.)

"NOT MY BABY" ROOSEVELT SAYS OF WAR DEBTS

Declines To Join President Hoover.

THE BIG CONFERENCE.

Washington, Nov. 28.

Before President Hoover sent his reply to Great Britain's war debt note, he conferred to-day with Secretary of State Stimson, Secretary of the Treasury Ogden Mills and thirteen congressional leaders to discuss America's policy and draft an answer to the requests of European countries for a suspension of the December payments.

It was authoritatively learned that President-Elect Franklin D. Roosevelt declined to join with President Hoover in a proposal to reject the plea of various European governments for a postponement of the war debt payments.

Mr. Roosevelt was represented as feeling that he should not participate in the debt matter until after he is inaugurated next March.

The two discussed the foreign situation for more than two hours whereafter a very vague statement was issued, saying:

"The President, and the Governor traversed at length the subject mentioned in their telegraphic communications. It is felt that progress was made. The President will confer with members of congress to-morrow, when the subject will be further pursued."

Hoover Gloomy.

It was reliably learned that Mr. Hoover was unable to induce Mr. Roosevelt into agreeing on a joint programme.

Mr. Roosevelt declined all suggestions of a joint declaration of programme, preferring to take no stand. Later he told Democratic colleagues of his dislike for such a move.

"That's not my baby," he was quoted as saying.

Mr. Roosevelt arrived by special train from Jersey City and was cheered heartily by crowds on Pennsylvania avenue en route to the White House.

Failure of Roosevelt to join any co-operative effort was accepted to mean that the President will follow his own advisers on the programme indicated. Congress has already shown a determination not to agree to any extension of the moratorium or revision of debts.

CHINESE CUT DOWN PLANTATION TREES

One Of Three Taken By Guards.

Five pine trees, fully grown, were felled by Chinese trespassers in a Government plantation at Stanley yesterday.

Owing to the thick growth, forest guards were unable to arrest all the men, three in number. Two of them escaped.

One was caught as he was leaving the plantation. On appearance before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, the defendant pleaded guilty and was sent to gaol for six weeks without the option of a fine. Sergeant Bradwell stated that nearly 211 catties of wood had been cut down.

Coffee Planting in Brazil is Prohibited For 3-Year Period.

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The average annual crop has been about 13,225,000 sacks of 132 pounds each. A government statement issued July 1, 1930, said that 23,000,000 bags were in warehouses, and the crop for 1930-31 was about 14,000,000 bags. Export in 1930 was 15,238,000 bags, but since has declined appreciably.

A very large portion of the surplus stock was burned in locomotives and otherwise last year and this, and a regular dumping service using scows has been maintained to haul the surplus stock out to sea and dump it.

In 1927, there were exported 15,115,000 bags, valued at \$304,555,397, or 70 per cent. of Brazil's total exports, and more than half went to the United States. In 1928 production reached 19,000,000 bags valued at \$425,000,000, and 38,381,000 bags were exported.

To-Day's Short Story.

THE OCCUPANT OF THE ROOM

By Algernon Blackwood.

HE arrived late at night by the yellow diligence, stiff and cramped after the toilsome ascent of three slow hours.

The village, a single mass of shadow, was already asleep. Only in front of the little hotel was there noise and light and bustle—for a moment. The horses, with tired, slouching gait, crossed the road and disappeared into the stable of their own accord, their harness trailing in the dust; and the lumbering diligence stood for the night where they had dragged it—the body of a great yellow-sided beetle with broken legs.

In spite of his physical weariness the school-master, revelling in the first hours of his ten-guinea holiday, felt exhilarated. For the high Alpine valley was marvellously still; stars twinkled over the torn ridges of the Dent du Midi where spectral snows gleamed against rocks that looked like ebony; and the keen air smelt of pine forests, dew-soaked pastures, and freshly sawn wood.

He took it all in with a kind of bewildered delight for a few minutes, while the other three passengers gave directions about their luggage and went to their rooms. Then he turned and walked over the coarse matting into the glare of the hall, only just able to resist stopping to examine the big mountain map that hung upon the wall by the door.

And, with a sudden disagreeable shock, he came down from the ideal to the actual. For at the inn—the only inn—there was no vacant room. Even the available sofas were occupied.

They talked endlessly, this gold-braided porter and the hard-faced old woman—her face was hard, he noticed—gesticulating all the time, and pointing all about the village with suggestions that he ill understood, for his French was limited and their patois was fearful.

VILLAGE MERCHANT LEAVES \$20,200.

Widows Benefits In Large Estates.

Probate of the will of Lam Sun, merchant, who died at Shek Tsui Village on July 4, 1932, leaving \$20,200, was granted to Lam Chau-shi, widow.

In the estate of Jung Cheung, merchant, who died on August 20, 1932, at the Keng Woo Hospital, Macao, leaving \$1,000, letters of administration to the estate have been granted to Florence Jung, widow, according to the records released to-day.

Lo Hung, merchant, who died at the age of 89 at Chung Kong Village in Kwangtung on March 8, 1932, left \$8,800. Letters of administration have been granted to Lo Sik-kau, a son of the deceased.

Liu Hong-hing, compradore, died on August 14, 1932, at Kulangu, Amoy, and left an estate valued at \$16,900, for which letters of administration have been granted to Wong Ah-mut, his widow.

SCHOOLBOYS' TOUR IN CANADA.

Launch With Premier.

A party of English public school-boys, who have been touring Canada during the past two months, arrived back in London recently.

The boys, who were under the charge of Col. J. D. Hills, an Eton master, were entertained at luncheon by the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Bennett, visited Niagara Falls, took part in shooting matches, and met the Imperial Conference delegates at Ottawa.

Col. Hills said that Mr. Bennett's luncheon party was the best thing of the tour, because the Canadian Premier was so informal and talked afterwards in a way which went to the hearts of all the boys. He gave each boy an autographed book.

At length, however, by some process of hope he did not himself understand, and following directions given by the old woman that were utterly unintelligible, he went out in the street and walked towards a dark group of houses she had pointed out to him. He only knew that he meant to thunder at a door and ask for a room. He was too weary to think out details. The porter half made to go with him, but turned back at the last moment to speak with the old woman.

The houses sketched themselves dimly in the general blackness. The air was cold. The whole valley was filled with the rush and thunder of falling water. He was thinking vaguely that the dawn could not be very far away, and that he might even spend the night wandering in the woods, when there was a sharp noise behind him and he turned to see a figure hurrying after him. It was the porter—running.

And in the little hall of the inn there began again a confused three-cornered conversation, with frequent muttered colloquy and whispered asides in patois between the woman and the porter—the net result of which was that, "if Monsieur did not object—there was a room, after all, on the first floor—only it was in a sense 'engaged.' That is to say—"

But the schoolmaster took the room without inquiring too closely into the puzzle that had somehow provided it so suddenly. If the woman offered him quarters it was not for him to argue with her whether the said quarters were legitimately hers to offer.

But the porter, evidently a little thrilled, accompanied the guest up to the room and supplied in a mixture of French and English details omitted by the landlady—and Min-turn, the schoolmaster, soon shared the thrill with him, and found himself in the atmosphere of a possible tragedy.

All who know the peculiar excitement that belongs to lofty mountain valleys where dangerous climbing is a chief feature of the attractions will understand a certain faint element of high alarm that goes with the picture.

One looks up at the desolate, soaring ridges and thinks involuntarily of the men who find their pleasure for days and nights together scaling perilous summits among the clouds, and conquering, inch by inch, the icy peaks that forever shake their dark terror in the sky.

The atmosphere of adventure, spiced with the possible horror of a very grim order of tragedy, is inseparable from any imaginative contemplation of the scene, and the idea Min-turn gleaned from the half-frightened porter lost nothing by his ignorance of the language.

This Englishwoman, the real occupant of the room, had insisted on going without a guide. She had left just before daybreak two days before the porter had seen her start—and she had not returned. The route was difficult and dangerous, yet not impossible for a skilled climber, even a solitary one. And the Englishwoman was an experienced mountaineer. Also, she was self-willed, careless of advice, bored by warnings, self-confident to a degree. Queer, moreover, for she kept entirely to herself, and sometimes remained in her room with locked doors, admitting no one, for days together.

A "crank," evidently, of the first water. This much Min-turn gathered clearly enough from the porter's tale while his luggage was brought in and the room set to rights; further, too, that the search party had gone out and might, of course, return at any moment—in which case—thus the room was empty, yet still hers. "If Monsieur did not object," he said suddenly in the night.

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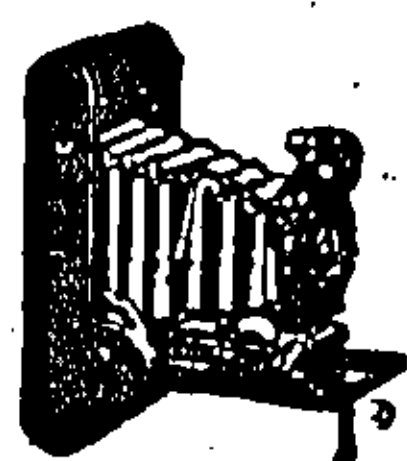
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Close Triangular Cricket Tourney In Prospect Army's Attempt to Retain Title With Weaker Team CLUB ELEVEN FAVOURED

(By Athol.)

THE Navy Selectors have every reason to be satisfied with the side with L. T. Ride, D. S. Farley, form shown by Mid. Farnhill. He O. E. C. Marton, A. K. Mackenzie is a batsman of the dogged type, and H. J. Armstrong as excellent and his patience is amazing despite reserves in the case of emergency, the fact that he has several very fine strokes on the off. He and Lt. Comdr. Shaw will probably open the batting. C. B. R. Sargent could hardly attack in the Triangular Tournament, and with Lt. Comdr. eleven, and A. DeLownson and C. A. Southern, Capt. Burnett, Sub-Lt. Wright are not up to the standard Carver and Lt. Armistead of the first division. The side has to follow the batting should however, a fast bowler in Beck, two be very sound down to No. 6, slow bowlers in Owen Hughes and The Navy have also a well-versed Richardson, and a medium paced attack in E. R. A. Holland, Mid. bowler in Duckitt. It is indeed a Jenner-Fast. Sub-Lt. Robertson play that G. E. R. Divett has gone and Sub-Lt. Eaden, and in Lt. North, as he would probably have Comdr. Shaw they have the best wicket-keeper in the Colony.

THE Army are also very strong this year for their attempt to retain the Championship of the Colony. Last year they overwhelmed both the Club and the Navy in the Triangular Tournament, and then proceeded to Kowloon where they convincingly beat the K. C. C. This year they have still many of last year's team, but the services of Capt. Moir, the batsman-wicket-keeper, and Sig. Williams, the fast bowler, will be sadly missed. Lt. Musson and Lt. Hamilton will board the all-rounders in the junior champions, made a splendid team, but the former will have to get plenty of bowling practice in the nets if he is to produce his A. K. Ismail and A. R. Suffad put 1930-31 form. I can still remember on 79 for the second wicket before the League game between the latter batsman was caught out by the Indians when he scored 102 out of 158 and took 5 of the boundaries. Joined by A. S. Suffad, champions' wickets for 57 runs. In spite of his efforts, however, the Indians won that match by two wickets.

THE arrival of Lt. Garthwaite should greatly strengthen the Army batting, but what the Suffad scored his 26 out of 42. The Army require most is a reliable opening pair. Garthwaite and Bandmaster Trout are being given underneath better talent than they are, but their displays have not been carried conviction to date. Lt. Stocker has met with a fair measure of success this season, but he is very shaky in his first few overs, and an alert field should dismiss him cheaply every time. Lt. Cragge has not yet struck his true form and until he is quite an unknown quantity, though the little that has been seen of him stamps him as a batsman of rare possibilities. Lt. Young will get into the side for his wicket-keeping, though W. T. Patterson, the Interporter, would be a better choice. He would, however, have to be played in the Triangular Tournament teams only, as he has already played for Craigengower this season in a League game. Capt. Wales, Lt. Anstruther and Capt. Mirehouse are other candidates for the side and Pte. Roman, L/Cpl. Meehan, Cpl. Davies or Pte. Dewey will probably be given the last place in the side. It is a good side, but hardly strong enough to beat the Club's strongest eleven. Hamilton and Musson are bowlers of a very similar type, both being fast-medium, and Mirehouse, a slow bowler, is the only other dependable player. The attack looks to be the main problem for the Army Selectors.

THE Recreio never recovered from a disastrous start, Arculli making a successful appeal for obstruction against P. M. N. da Silva with the first ball of the innings, and H. A. Alves being cleverly stumped by S. Ismail without a run being registered. Arculli followed up his earlier success by clean bowling A. Prata, one of the most promising batsmen in this League, and the Recreio were in a desperate plight with half their side out for 17. Only H. A. Noronha reached double figures in an innings which realised only 46 runs, and he was also very shaky throughout. The Indians were clearly the superior team and registered their third League success by 102 runs.

A. M. RUMJAHN bowled magnificently for the champions, at one time dismissing three batsmen for only one run and eventually returning an analysis of:—
O. M. R. W.
11 5 18 6
Arculli, had he not attempted to bowl too fast, would have been even more effective than 8 for 16 in 10 overs. He bowled a wide in the course of a bright spell in which he took 3 for 10.

WITH the return of "Tam" Pearce, his son, T. A. Pearce, and H. Owen Hughes, the Club should be able to field a very strong eleven for the Triangular Tournament. They are, however, losing the services of Alan Reid in the near future and his place as stock bowler in the side is going to prove difficult to fill. It would be good to see "Tam" Pearce open the batting with his son, but I understand that this will not be the case, and I gather from gossip in the Pavilion that Dick Hancock will also be unavailable.

EVEN allowing for these handicaps the Club should be able to field a very formidable eleven in the following:—A. W. Hayward, T. A. Pearce, A. C. Beck, H. Owen Hughes, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. E. Richardson, G. R. Sayer, E. R. Duckitt, G. S. Dunkley, J. P. Whitham and possibly A. K. Munro or E. J.

NOTABLE absentees from Saturday's games included U. M. Omar (Craigengower), E. J. R. Mitchell (Club), A. C. Beck (Club), T. R. Hunter (Police), R. H. Griffiths (Civil Service), D. McLellan (Civil Service), E. B. Reed (Civil Service), and M. P. Madar (I. R. C. 2nd XI).

THOUGH they lost their first wicket with only 2 runs on the Musson and Lt. Hamilton will board the all-rounders in the junior champions, made a splendid team, but the former will have to get plenty of bowling practice in the nets if he is to produce his A. K. Ismail and A. R. Suffad put 1930-31 form. I can still remember on 79 for the second wicket before the League game between the latter batsman was caught out by the Indians when he scored 102 out of 158 and took 5 of the boundaries. Joined by A. S. Suffad, champions' wickets for 57 runs. In spite of his efforts, however, the Indians won that match by two wickets.

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BILLIARDS

STEELE COULSON LEAGUE.

S. Silva Highest Break Of 46.

S./SGT. POLLARD BEATEN.

The postponed match between the Garrison Sergeants' Mess and the R.A. Sergeants' Mess was played on Thursday last and resulted in a win for the former. The result was in doubt until the final game, when S/Sgt. Clarke beat Sgt. Beeston to give the Garrison Sergeants' Mess the points.

The St. Patrick's Club—Police fixture was brought forward to Thursday evening owing to two or three of the Garden Rd. Club being required for Camp with the Portuguese Company of the H. K. Volunteers on Friday. This game resulted in a win for St. Patrick's, in which S. Silva made the only break of note, a 46. The surprise of the evening was the defeat of L. Remedios by S. Bradwell.

The Palace Club swamped the R. E. at home to the tune of 5 matches to 1, L/Sgt. Hollingworth being the R.E.'s only winner. The tit-bit of this match was the defeat of S/Sgt. E. Pollard by T. Curlyer by 150 to 102.

The S.W.B. Sergeants' Mess won all their games against the Garrison Sergeants' Mess on Friday, the chief feature being a break of 46 by C. S. M. Lewis.

R. A. Sergeants' Mess collected their first points, against the C. & P.O.'s Club, who were defeated by 4 games to 2.

The S.W.B. Sergeants' Mess lead the table owing to their superior games average, being equal with St. Patrick's Club in the number of points gained.

LEAGUE TABLE.

	P. W. L. Games	F. A. Pts.
S.W.B. Sergeants' Mess	2 2 0 11	1 0
St. Patrick's Club	2 2 0 8	4 8
Police	2 1 1 5	4 3
Palace	2 1 1 5	3 3
Garrison Sergeants' Mess	2 1 1 4	5 3
R.A. Sergeants' Mess	2 1 1 6	6 3
C. & P.O.'s	2 0 2 4	8 0
R.E. Sergeants' Mess	2 0 2 2	10 0

THURSDAY.

Garrison Sergeants' Mess	R.A. Sergeants' Mess
Clarke	150 Beeston
Jordan	150 Pine
Turner	128 Woods
Farquhar	123 Wilks
Dyer	150 Bailey
Robinson	130 Wilks

St. Patrick's Club	Police Club
Baptista	150 Pile
Silva	150 Pile
Remedios	150 Blakey
Hodge	101 Bradwell
Remedios	150 Gooding

FRIDAY.

Palace Club	R.E. Sergeants' Mess
Gulyer	150 Pollard
Perera	150 Floyd
Gray	150 Smith
Boltra	150 Shillie
Bomedia	150 Buckle
Bower	117 Hollingworth

S.W.B. Sergeants' Mess	Garrison Sergeants' Mess
Jarman	150 Clarke
Smith	150 Jordan
Kite	150 Farquhar
Lewis	150 Turner
Harris	150 Robinson
Organ	150 Dyer

R.A. Sergeants' Mess	C. & P.O.'s Club
Wilks	150 Taylor
Pine	150 Greenwall
Wills	150 Dayoy
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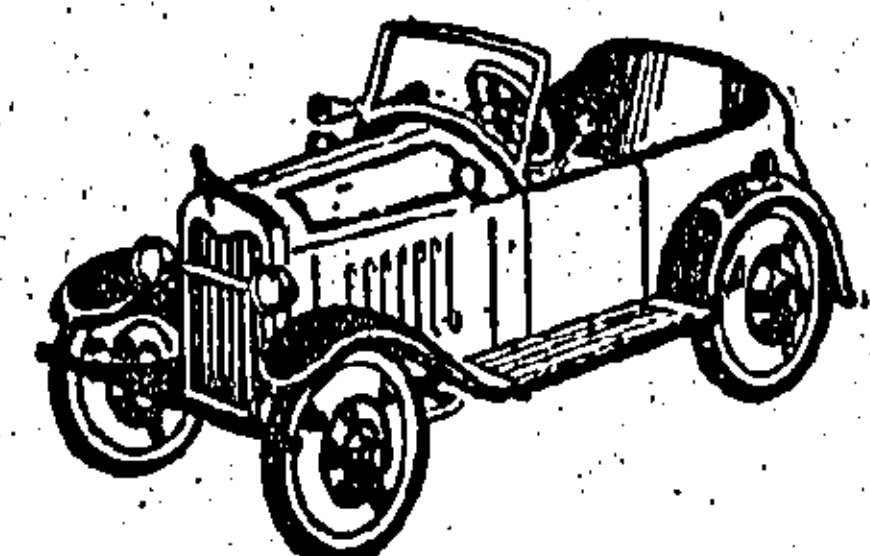
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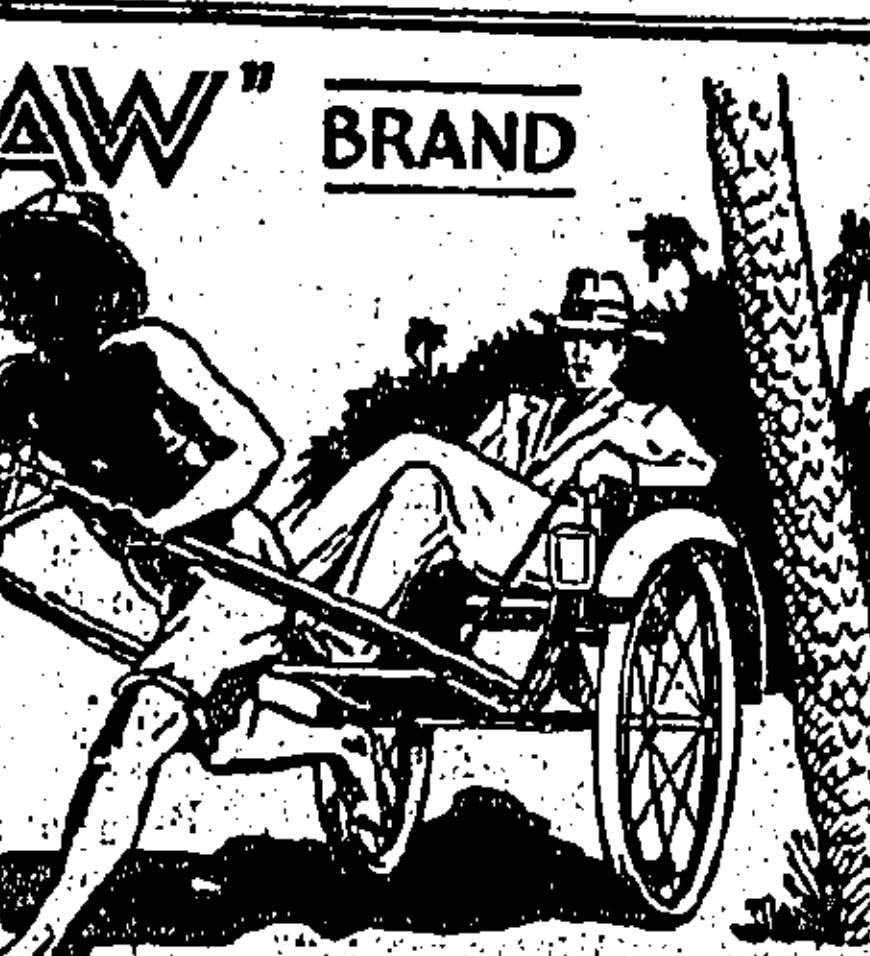
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Full results of to-day's play were as follows:

Vivian McGrath (Australia) beat Keith Gledhill 6-2, 8-6.

Ellsworth Vines (U.S.A.) beat Harry Hopman 7-5, 9-11, 6-3.

W. Allison and J. Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat Moon and Sproule 6-3, 8-6, 6-4, 6-3.

E. Vines and K. Gledhill (U.S.A.) beat Hopman and McGrath 9-7, 9-7, 6-3.

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LADIES' YACHTING.

Rolla (Mrs. T. P. Kemble) won the "H" Class event in the Fourth Ladies' Yachting Championship race sailed yesterday. Alisa (Mrs. Chavasse) won the "J," "Y" and "C" Class and Joss (Mrs. Stanton) won the "A" Class second championship.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS RUGBY

The following were the results of to-day's Public Schools' Rugby matches:

Ampleforth	14	Royal Signals	0
Bedford	24	Douai	0
Blackheath A	9	Harlequins A	0
Blackheath A	9	Dover	0
Blackheath A	9	Berkhamsted	0
Cambridge IX Club	22	Rugby	14
Casals, Cambridge	31	Hallebury	0
Cheltenham	25	Wellington	11
Clifton College	21	Brighton	0
Clifton College	21	Blundell's	3
Cranleigh	19	Low College	11
Downside	9	Clifton College	0
Durham	12	Giggleswick	0
Franningham	19	Ipswich	10
Glasgow Academy	27	Edinburgh Univ.	0
Glasgow Academy	27	Dollar Academy	0
Harlequins A	25	Eastbourne	0
Hallebury	14	Watson's	0
Mill Hill	10	Oxford Old Millhillians	0
Pembroke Col. (Cam.)	10	Cambridge	0
Richmond A	112	Radley	0
Roby's Park A	19	Harrow	11
Sharncliffe	13	Blackheath A	11
St. Paul's	5	Dulwich College	3
Warwick	12	Uppingham	0

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The following table shows how the leading Rugby Union Clubs have fared this season to date:

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Aberavon	12 3 3 0 119	50
Barclays Bank	5 3 1 1 108	26
Bath	10 7 3 0 86	84
Bedford	8 5 3 0 82	38
Blackheath	9 6 3 0 122	66
Bristol	9 4 4 1 82	43
Cambridge U.	4 3 1 0 62	27
Canterbury	8 5 1 2 86	22
Coventry	9 6 2 1 104	51
Cross Keys	9 7 2 0 106	45
Devonport Sar.	7 3 4 0 87	34
Gloucester	8 5 3 0 68	30
Guy's Hospital	7 3 4 0 80	31
Harlequins	5 5 0 0 50	25
King's Col. Hptl.	4 4 2 0 40	49
Leicester	8 8 0 0 83	40
Llanelli	7 7 0 0 98	40
Lloyds Bank	6 6 1 0 124	28
London Hospital	6 6 0 0 83	152
London Scottish	5 2 3 0 55	27
London Welsh	6 4 1 1 53	31
Midland Bank	6 3 2 0 63	21
Nat. Prov. Bank	5 3 2 0 52	24
Neath	11 7 4 0 128	75
Newport	10 3 6 1 55	77
Northampton	7 3 3 1 86	65
Old Cranleighans	4 4 0 0 56	26
Old Dunstonians	6 2 4 0 45	35
Old Edwardians	5 2 3 0 59	39
Old Loyalists	5 1 4 0 34	45
Old Merck Tay.	5 3 2 0 43	32
Old Millhillians	4 2 2 0 55	15
Old Paulines	7 2 4 1 54	77
Oxford Exiles	4 3 1 0 54	40
Oxford U.	3 2 1 0 39	16
Penarth	5 2 3 0 34	58
Plymouth Albion	8 5 3 0 105	72
Pontpool	10 6 3 1 105	41
Richmond	6 3 2 1 62	45
Roselynn Park	7 3 4 0 53	72
St. Bar's Hptl.	7 1 6 0 25	78
St. Thomas's	4 1 3 0 11	44
Swansea	10 5 2 0 2 173	42
United Services	9 5 3 1 108	78

Y.M.C.A. WIN.

In the Y.M.C.A. bath yesterday the "Y" defeated H.M.S. Olympus by 4 goals to 1 in their water polo game. W. Schwedter scored all four goals for the winners, and Groves registered the Olympus point.



Rugby Notes

By Scrum Half

THE second of the Triangular Tournament games is to be played on Saturday when the Club meet the victorious Army fifteen at Sookunpoo. After defeating the formidable Navy team the Army will be favourites for Saturday's game, especially in view of the big Club injured list. I. H. Bradford, the promising newcomer to the front row of the scrum, is the latest addition to the injured list; he is suffering from a bad attack of water on the knee. His weight in the tight scrums will be sorely missed. J. A. R. Selby, the skipper of the side, has not yet recovered and L. G. Robertson and W. E. Peers are still out of action, and J. J. Ferguson, the Kowloon captain is a doubtful starter after his injury on Saturday against the Borderers.

R. H. Griffiths has recovered from his slight injury and will probably be partnered by W. H. B. Rigg in the centre, unless A. F. Jenkins is given a last trial to recover his reputation as an interpreter. If Ferguson is unable to play R. O. H. King may be given the wing position with G. P. Lamert on the other side of the field. Roger Grieve, I understand, is playing at full back again. M. W. Turner and A. M. Macintosh are the halves and the probable composition of the pack will be G. C. Moutrie, J. H. McElroy, S. H. Garrod, F. R. Burch, W. F. Kerr, A. P. Hall-Thomas, D. McLellan and J. C. Miller. In the face of the formidable Army pack the Club should be able to hold their own in the tight scrums, but they will be outplayed by a speedier and more determined pack in the loose.

THE Army are playing unchanged, though I hear that L/Cpl. Pratt, their hooker, has been taken to hospital with a damaged ear, and may not be able to play as a result. This will be a heavy blow to the Army for Pratt is obviously McElroy's only challenger. Lt. Smith of the Navy being far inferior to the Club man. Cpl. Suter will probably take over the responsibility in the event of Pratt being unable to play.

THE Army team in the event of Pratt being able to play will probably line up as follows: Lieut. Birt (R.A.); Lieut. Martin (S.W.B.); Lieut. Hamilton (S.W.B.); Lieut. Galletley (S.W.B.); Pte. Lewis (S.W.B.); Pte. Stevens (S.W.B.); Pte. Hoskins (S.W.B.); Lieut. Hobert (R.A.); L/Cpl. Pratt (S.W.B.); Cpl. Suter (R.A.); L/Cpl. Hardy (S.W.B.); Pte. Gilmore (S.W.B.); Lieut. Macfarlane (R.A.); Lieut. Prior (R.A.); and Pte. Walters (S.W.B.).

THE Club "A" are down to play a Navy fifteen to-morrow, but there is a possibility that the game may be changed into a Club practice game, when the "A" will play the first fifteen.

THE scoring of a lucky try when it was almost too dark to see the ball, brought victory to the S.W.B. "A" Company team, in the final minutes of the game against the Kowloon Rugby Club at Sookunpoo yesterday. On the run of the play the Borderers should have won by a comfortable margin. Far superior in the tight scrums the Borderers forwards made a bad mistake in attempting to take the ball with them instead of getting it back to the three-quarters. Time and again they wheeled and took the ball when the obvious policy was to heel it back to their speedy three-quarters.

FOGG, who made his first appearance in local rugby yesterday, proved to have speed and good tackling abilities. Against less worthy opponents he would have undoubtedly scored. Pearl, who like Fogg, is attached to the Royal Air Force at Kai Tak, was one of the

SCHOOLBOY CLEAN BOWLS "AUSSIE" SKIPPER.

Woodfull Beaten When 35.

Brisbane, Oct. 28. Australia's latest bowling discovery, Jack Govan, the 17-year-old schoolboy leg-break bowler who occasionally bowls the googly, started his career in first-class cricket in wonderful style by clean bowling Australia's Test captain, the "unbowable" Woodfull for 35. This he followed up by dismissing another Test player, Keith Rigg, for 13. Govan was playing for Queensland against Victoria in the first match of the Sheffield Shield competition. —Reuter.

HONG KONG C.C. TEAMS FOR SATURDAY.

The following teams will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club against the Civil Service C.C. in their League Cricket matches on Saturday at 2 p.m.:

1st XI at C.S.C.C.
A. W. Hayward (Captain), E. J. R. Mitchell, A. C. Beck, E. R. Duckitt, G. S. Dunkley, D. S. Harley, K. A. Munro, A. Reid, C. B. R. Sargent, J. P. Whitham and C. A. Wright.
2nd XI at H.K.C.C.
C. E. Gahagan (Captain), A. K. Mackenzie, H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, R. R. Davies, A. H. Harbord, L. D. Kilbee, A. D. Lowson, R. S. W. Patterson, P. W. J. Planner and J. E. Potter.

(Continued from previous column). Most outstanding of the Kowloon backs, his tackling being deadly.

J. BONNAR, who was vice-captain of the Club side two years ago during a period when the Club was supreme, is doing very well indeed in Singapore. Playing for the Singapore Club at scrum half he was mainly responsible for the Club's win over South Johore by 19 points to nil. His service from the scrum was dazzling, to quote the Singapore newspaper reports. In the previous match against South Johore, Bonnar was played at centre three-quarter, but was not nearly so effective, and the Club barely scraped home by 8 points to 6.

NEWS from Home says that R. A. Gerrard, a former Hong Kong boy, is well in the running for another cap. Last year Gerrard played in the Calcutta Cup match against Scotland, but was unfortunate to strike an off day. He is playing again for Bath this year, but is not receiving the support his last season's form warrants. In the game against Bristol, which Bath lost by 5 points to nil, his partner, H. St. V. Powell was carried off suffering from concussion in the first half. Gerrard, however, played brilliantly and was commended by the London Press.

(Home Rugby on Page 8.)

EXHIBITION DIVING

"DUTCH" SMITH AND SIMAIKA.

This Evening At C.B.C. Pavilion.

RISE TO FAME TOLD IN INTERVIEW.

(By CRAWL.)

Tonight Hong Kong is to be treated to an entertainment of exceptional merit in the form of the diving exhibition by the two of the foremost Olympic divers, "Dutch" Smith and F. Simaika.

The exhibition will take place at the Chinese Bathing Club's Pavilion at 8.30 p.m. and will be the first of its kind ever to be staged in the Colony. Both divers commenced at a very early age and have risen from school champions to World Champions.

Mr. "Dutch" Smith in an interview with the China Mail last night outlined in brief his swimming activities from childhood days.

Mr. Smith said that he started his swimming career as a novice in a boys' contest in the Los Angeles Municipal Swimming Pool Championship in 1921. This event was for boys of 11 and under, and Smith, one of the youngest competitors in a big entry list, won the event.

The site of that pool is now the new Olympic Swimming Stadium where Smith achieved a life-long ambition—the winning of the world title at the World Olympiad.

From 1921 to 1925 Smith gave up diving and settled down to his studies. In 1925 he resumed his diving activities, and was coached at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. After his period of coaching was over he left for the Hollywood Athletic Club, where he stayed for a year. During that year he won the Southern Pacific one metre Spring-Board Diving Championship and also the Open Medley Race.

FIRST BIG TEST.

Completing his year at the Hollywood Athletic Club, he joined the Los Angeles Athletic Club, for whom he now swims and dives in all contests.

In 1927, for the first time in his career he entered for the United States Open National Diving Championships, held in Chicago, saw Smith win the one metre Spring-Board Diving Championship, but he was beaten in the three metre event by Pata Desjardines.

Smith's first entry in the Olympic Games was in the Spring Board Diving Championship at Amsterdam in 1928. In this event

Simaika took second place to Desjardines, and Smith had to be satisfied with fourth place. He did not compete in the high diving Championship at these Games.

WORLD TITLE.

Smith's finest diving exhibition was given at the last Olympic Games in Los Angeles when he captured for America the World's High Diving Championship.

In the final U.S. trials, held in Pasadena, Smith won the 10 foot Spring Board and Riley the High Diving. In the finals at Los Angeles, however, the form shown in these trials was reversed, Smith taking the High Diving Championship and Riley the Spring Board.

Having achieved his lifelong ambition and having time on his hands, Smith and his colleague, Simaika, accepted the invitation of the Japanese Government to attend their National Diving Championships held in Tokyo a month ago.

Both Smith and Simaika had little difficulty in winning both the Japanese High Diving and the Spring Board titles.

To-night's exhibition, in view of these accomplishments should be worth watching. Charges for admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents to scholars and service men in uniform.

NEW SPORT.

Pelota Introduced In London.

PLAYED IN SHANGHAI.

(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)

Pelota, the fast sport known in all Spanish countries, is being brought to London. It is already said to be a popular pastime in Chicago, Cairo, Shanghai and Miami.

In pelota—a ball game that is so fast and skillful that it takes ten years to become a "crack" player—the players wear a long straw basket arrangement, called a cesta, on their right hands. With this they "serve" and return the ball in fast rallies.

Experts are to be engaged from Spain, Mexico, and Cuba to show London how the game is played in Exhibition matches. Both the Prince of Wales and the ex-King of Spain are enthusiastic followers of the sport. If the game is well received in London, backers of pelota plan to erect stadiums or "frontons" in Manchester, Birmingham, Liverpool, Glasgow, and possibly Brighton.

A first class exponent of pelota finishes his playing life at the age of 32.—Reuter.

RACING SUPPLEMENT

in TO-MORROW'S

China Mail

Hockey Notes

By Centre Half

THE Kowloon Indians Tennis Club, newcomers to the field of local hockey, are holding their own well in the Mamak Hockey Tournament. Though they have not yet won a match in 8 games to date, they have drawn one, and did extremely well on Sunday to hold the Radlo to only two goals. What the K. I. T. C. need badly is better combination in their forward line, but this will come in time. Their defence is moderately good, with Karnail Singh and Naidu, who both played gruelling games on Sunday, the outstanding men. The Radlo's combination G. Singh, Awtar Singh, K. Singh, failed to be dangerous in the match, being too well marked. Gurbachan Singh, incidentally brought his tally of goals scored in the competition this season to 20, by netting the second goal.

A. A. R. Botelho, the Club and Sim Shield player, made a welcome return to the Club first eleven on Wednesday last, when he played at left full back in partnership with Jack Rodger against H. M. S. Suffolk. He has not held a hockey stick in his hands for over six weeks.



A. A. R. Botelho.

Owing to an injured hand. He had a nasty spill while riding, and split his hand. Botelho possesses a strong hit and is a steady man in defence.

F. W. R. Allen, the Police, Club, and Y. M. C. A. player, sustained a bad injury to his left eye during the Tournament match between the Police and the Signals on the Marina ground last week. The Signals won by 4 goals to nil. Allen was injured in the first half through a collision with a Signals player. The Police, as it was, fielded only ten men, Blackburn, one of their backs, being called away on duty about half an hour before the match was timed to start. The Police played pluckily even in the face of these heavy odds, but had to concede both points by a 4 nil margin.

Followers of hockey are promised a first-class match on the U. S. R. C. ground, when the Club meet H.M.S. Medway Officers in a return match tomorrow. In their first encounter earlier in the month the Club won a fast match by the only goal scored by A. E. P. Guest. It was in this match that A. A. Dand, the Club captain, sustained a bad leg injury, and since then he has not played. The Club's team for tomorrow's match, which is due to commence at 5 p.m. sharp, is as follows:—G. Duncan, J. Rodger, A. A. R. Botelho, W. A. Reed, H. J. D. Lowe, J. E. Potter, J. L. Tetley, W. E. Williams, E. V. Reed, C. C. Francis, and A. T. Lay. The Club will have to show considerably better form than that displayed last week when they only drew with H. M. S. Suffolk; if they want to maintain their supremacy over the Medway Officers. The naval combination is an extremely strong one, having won the Fleet Championship at Weihaiwei during the summer.

E. F. Fincher, who has scored 5 goals for St. Andrew's Club in friendly matches this season, proved himself to be a useful centre-forward in the match between the Saints and H. M. S. Suffolk, which, unfortunately was of very short duration, owing to a late start. Fincher combined well with Mackay, but his left-inside partner, Woolley, was inclined to wander over to the left too far. G. Lee, who deputised for E. A. Carroll, played a good game on the left wing. Abbott, on the left wing, for the Suffolk, was fast, and he experienced bad luck



THE all England Ladies' Lacrosse Association match between England (9) and her Reserves (2), at Merton Abbey. England fail to score after a fight in front of the Reserves goal.

PHOENIX DRAW WITH ENGINEERS

Barnett And Pegg The Scorers.

The Royal Engineers played a drawn game with H.M.S. Phoenix in the Mamak Tournament at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon. The sailors who were slightly the better team, netted in the first half through Barnett. A few minutes before the termination of the game, Pegg scored the equaliser for the Engineers.

MAMAK TOURNAMENT.

Table To Date.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
1st Bty. H.K.S.	9	8	0	1	4	3	8 17
Radio	9	8	0	1	3	8	7 17
St. Andrew's	8	6	1	1	3	8	8 13
Incognitos	6	6	0	0	2	5	3 12
R.A.S.C.	12	5	5	2	1	9	12 12
R.C. Signals	8	5	2	1	2	11	12 11
Police	6	4	1	1	1	2	9 9
Medway	7	3	1	3	1	5	9 9
R.E.	11	4	6	1	1	1	24 9
12th R.A.	6	3	2	1	1	1	8 7
University	5	3	2	0	1	1	10 6
Wishart	5	3	2	0	1	1	10 6
Phoenix	7	2	3	2	1	1	10 6
R.A.M.C.	9	2	5	2	0	1	6 6
Veteran	5	2	3	0	4	7	4 4
Tamar	9	1	6	2	1	0	22 4
24th R.A.	6	1	4	1	7	1	7 3
Parthian	3	1	2	0	5	9	2 2
20th R.A.	5	0	4	1	1	1	12 1
R.A.O.C.	5	0	4	1	0	1	11 1
K.I.T.C.	8	0	7	1	4	3	1 1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	2	0 0
German Club	6	0	6	0	1	3	0 0

in the second half when one or two of his shots struck the post.

P. Gittins, the St. Andrew's Club Ladies' left winger, made a successful debut in the position of inside left on Saturday when she scored three goals in rapid succession against the Hong Kong Ladies to give the Saints' their second win over the Caer Clark Champions this season. Hong Kong sorely miss E. M. Gray their stalwart defender and captain. It was in their last match with the Saints that Miss Gray was badly injured in the eye, but since then she has progressed favourably and hopes to be fit for the Caer Clark competition.

THE Club de Recreio Ladies gained a creditable victory on Saturday when they beat the Hong Kong Ladies "A" eleven by the odd goal in three. With such stalwarts as C. Osmund, E. Rosario, M. Alves, A. Alves M. Remedios and C. Botelho of last season's team still playing, the Recreio should go far ahead this season. In B. D'Almada they have a useful goalkeeper, while K. Hyndman is showing promise as a half-back.

THE Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who defeated the Lincolnshire Regiment at the Sham Shui Po Camp by 4 clear goals, made their debut in Shanghai last week, and after leading right up to five minutes before full time in their match with the Recs. were robbed of victory in the last minute by Whitmore. Capt. MacNab, Lieut. MacPherson, and C. S. M. MacFavish, three players in the Argylls forward line, were responsible for the points. The Argylls have a fairly strong team, and have well served in the defence by Jack, a clever centre-half, Fraser, Cummings and Hay.

THE match against the South Wales Borderers at King's Park at 5 p.m. to-day, the Y. M. C. A. first eleven will be represented by the following:—L. D. Skinner, A. Tate, E. O. Murphy, R. A. Bates, D. McLellan, E. S. W. Smith, G. C. Barnett, E. H. Garrod, W. J. Brown, G. H. Fowler, T. J. Price.

CAER CLARK CUP DRAW.

Miss Whitley Revives C.B.A. Team.

H. A. RULING DOES NOT AFFECT LADIES' HOCKEY.

(By CENTRE HALF.)

THE draw for the Caer Clark Cup hockey competition was made at a meeting held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant yesterday evening. Five teams have entered the competition, these being the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club, the St. Andrew's Club Ladies, the Club de Recreio Ladies, the "Y" Ladies, and the Central British Association Ladies.

The C. B. A. team disbanded at the close of last season, and this season efforts to revive the team are being made by Miss M. Whitley, herself a former pupil of the Central British School.

Representatives present were Mrs. P. H. Harrop and Miss E. O. Hagan (Hong Kong) Miss M. Woolley and Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrew's) Miss M. Basto (Recreio) Miss A. Fowler and Miss M. Mason "Y" and Miss Steele and Miss M. Whitley (C. B. A.).

PRESIDENT RE-ELECTED.

The meeting was unanimous in electing Mrs. W. T. Southern, who donated the runners-up cup last year, as President of the competition, with Mrs. Harrop as Hon. Secretary.

The meeting agreed that the Mamak Hockey Tournament ruling did not affect ladies hockey, and decided to carry on just as usual.

It was also stated that both the Caer Clark Cup and the Southern Cup will not be retained even after three successive wins. Both trophies will go on for ever. Dr. H. Bunje has presented eleven silver spoons for the winning team this season. It was put to the meeting as to whether or not the Hong Kong Ladies should enter two teams. After much discussion Mrs. Harrop came to the conclusion that only one team should be entered.

THE DRAW.

The draw for matches resulted as follows:—

December 17.—Recreio v "Y".
St. Andrew's v Hong Kong.
January 7.—Recreio v "Y".
C.B.A. v St. Andrew's.
January 21.—C.B.A. v "Y".
Recreio v Hong Kong.
January 28.—C. B. A. v Hong Kong.
"Y" v St. Andrew's.
February 4.—C.B.A. v "Y".
Recreio v St. Andrew's.
February 11.—C.B.A. v Recreio.
St. Andrew's v Hong Kong.
February 18.—C.B.A. v Hong Kong.
St. Andrew's v "Y".
February 25.—C.B.A. v St. Andrew's.
Recreio v "Y".
March 11.—Hong Kong v Recreio.
March 18.—Hong Kong v "Y".



"DUTCH" Smith and F. Simaika performing simultaneous back somersault from a 10 metre board at Tokyo. Note the perfect positions of the two men from the board.

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The Occupant Of The Room

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It was the loquacious porter who furnished the details that made the transaction questionable; and Min turn dismissed the loquacious porter as soon as possible, and prepared to get into the hastily arranged bed and snatch all the hours of sleep he could before he was turned out.

At first, it must be admitted, he felt uncomfortable—distinctly uncomfortable. He was in someone else's room. He had really no right to be there. It was in the nature of an unwarrantable intrusion; and while he unpacked he kept looking over his shoulder as though someone were watching him from the corners.

Any moment, it seemed, he would hear a step in the passage, a knock would come at the door, the door would open, and there he would see this vigorous Englishman looking him up and down with anger. Worse still, he would hear her voice asking him what he was doing in her room—her bedroom. Of course, he had an adequate explanation, but still—

Then, reflecting that he was already half undressed, the humour of it flashed for a second across his mind, and he laughed quietly. And at once, after that laughter, under his breath came the sudden sense of tragedy he had felt before. Perhaps even while he smiled her body lay broken and cold upon those awful heights, the wind of snow playing over her hair, her glazed eyes staring sightless up to the stars.

It made him shudder. The sense of this woman whom he had never seen, whose name even he did not know, became extraordinarily real. Almost he could imagine that she was somewhere in the room with him, hidden, observing all he did.

He opened the door softly to put his boots outside, and when he closed it again he turned the key. Then he finished unpacking and distributed his few things about the room. It was soon done; for, in the first place, he had only a small Gladstone and a knapsack, and, secondly, the only place where he could spread his clothes was the sofa. There was no chest of drawers, and the cupboard, an unusually large and solid one, was locked.

The Englishwoman's things had evidently been hastily put away in it. The only sign of her recent presence was a bunch of faded Alpenrosen standing in a glass jar upon the washhand stand. This and a certain faint perfume were all that remained.

In spite, however, of these very slight evidences, the whole room was pervaded with a curious sense of occupancy that he found distasteful. One moment the atmosphere, seemed subtly charged with a "just left" feeling; the next it was a queer awareness of "still here" that made him turn and look hurriedly behind him.

Altogether the room inspired him with a singular aversion, and the strength of this aversion seemed the only excuse for his tossing the faded flowers out of the window; and then hanging his mackintosh upon the cupboard door in such a way as to screen it as much as possible from view. For the sight of that big, ugly cupboard, filled with the clothing of a woman who might then be beyond any further need of covering—thus his imagination insisted on picturing it—touched in him a startled sense of the incongruous that did not stop there, but crept through his mind, gradually till it merged somehow into a sense of a rather grotesque horror.

At any rate, the sight of that cupboard was offensive, and he covered it almost instinctively. Then, turning out the electric light, he got into bed.

But the instant the room was dark he realised that it was more than he could stand; for, with the blackness, there came a sudden rush of cold that he found it hard to explain. And the odd thing was that, when he lit the candle beside his bed, he noticed that his hand trembled.

This, of course, was too much. His imagination was taking liberties, and must be called to heel. Yet the way he called it to order was significant, and its very deliberateness betrayed a mind that has already admitted fear. And fear, once in, is difficult to dislodge. He lay there upon his elbow in bed, and carefully took note of all the objects in the room—with the intention, as it were, of taking an inventory of everything he sensed, perceived, then drawing a line, adding them

up finally, and saying with decision, "That's all the room contains! I've counted every single thing. There is nothing more. Now—I may sleep in peace!"

And it was during this absurd process of enumerating the furniture of the room that the dreadful sense of distressing lassitude came over him that made it difficult even to finish counting.

It came swiftly, yet with an amazing kind of violence that overwhelmed him softly and easily with a sensation of enervating weariness hard to describe. And its first effect was to banish fear. He no longer possessed enough energy to feel really afraid or nervous. The cold remained, but the alarm vanished. And into every corner of his usually vigorous personality crept the insidious poison of a muscular fatigue—at first—that in a few seconds, it seemed translated, itself into spiritual inertia.

A sudden consciousness of the foolishness, the futility, of life, of effort of fighting—of all that makes life worth living, shot into every fibre of his being and left him utterly weak. A spirit of black pessimism that was not even vigorous enough to assert itself invaded the secret chamber of his heart. Every picture that presented itself to his mind came dressed in grey shadows. A deariness of the grave possessed him. Life was a ghastly fraud! Religion a childish humbug! Everything was merely a trap—a trap of death; a coloured toy that nature used as a decoy! But a decoy for what? For nothing! There was no meaning in anything. The only real thing was—DEATH. And the happiest people were those who found it soonest.

Then why wait for it to come? He sprang out of bed, thoroughly frightened. This was horrible.

Surely mere physical fatigue could not produce a world so black, an outlook so dismal, a cowardice that struck with such sudden hopelessness at the very roots of life? For, normally, he was cheerful and strong, full of the tides of healthy living; and this appalling lassitude swept the very basis of his personality into nothingness and the desire for death. It was like the development of a Secondary Personality.

He had read, of course, how certain persons who suffered shocks developed thereafter entirely different characteristics, memory, tastes, and so forth. It had all rather frightened him. Though scientific men vouched for it, it was hardly to be believed. Yet here was a similar thing taking place in his own consciousness. He was, beyond question, experiencing all the mental variations of—someone else! It was un-moral. It was awful. It was—well, after all, at the same time, it was uncommonly interesting.

And this interest he began to feel was the first sign of his returning normal Self. For to feel interest is to live, and to love life.

He sprang into the middle of the room—then switched on the electric light. And the first thing that struck his eye was—the big cupboard.

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ELECTRICAL DEVICES SOURCE OF PERIL.

Need Of Investigation Of Ships' Fires.

When there is a fire nowadays, whether upon sea or land, the cause is nearly always given as being due to a short circuit in the electric installation, writes the Scientific Correspondent of the Nautical Magazine. How it does not seem to have occurred to anyone so far, but this a matter which affects the whole of the electrical engineering industry. Either a fire is caused by a defect in the electrical installation of it is not.

Therefore when suspicion is thrown upon it in this way a thorough investigation should be made as to the facts of the case and the matter cleared up as far as possible. True that in many fires the destruction is so great that it is difficult to find any traces of a cause, but in these cases the cause should be given as "unknown."

As the case, for example, of the Georges Phillippar (the square-funnelled) French liner which 1 criticised in these pages a short time ago; the cause of that disastrous fire given as a short-circuit in a discussed cabin, yet when an electrician cut off the "juice" fire broke out in six or seven other places! Either the electrical installation was thoroughly bad, or it was not the cause of the fire at all.

Investigation of these cases should be made by skilled experts in the interests of the general public and the electrical industry, because these accidents are throwing an unnecessary stigma on electric lighting and electrical installations generally.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama at noon on December 2 (Friday).

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada left Yokohama on November 25 (3 p.m.) leaves Honolulu on December 1 and is due at Vancouver on December 6. She will leave Vancouver (for Hong Kong) on December 17.

The B.I. a.s. Tilawa left Singapore for this port on November 24, and is due here on November 30.

The P. & O. s.s. Soudan left Singapore for this port on November 25 at 10.30 a.m., and is due here on November 29 at about noon.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Manila on November 27 (Sun.) at noon, left Manila yesterday at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong tomorrow at 9 a.m. She leaves for Vancouver via ports on December 2 (Fri.) at noon.

The P. & O. s.s. Kaiser-i-Hind left Singapore for this port on November 26 at noon with the outward English Mail, and is due here on December 1 at about 10 a.m.

The E. & A. s.s. Tandra left Moji for this port on Saturday, November 26, and is due here on Wednesday, November 30.

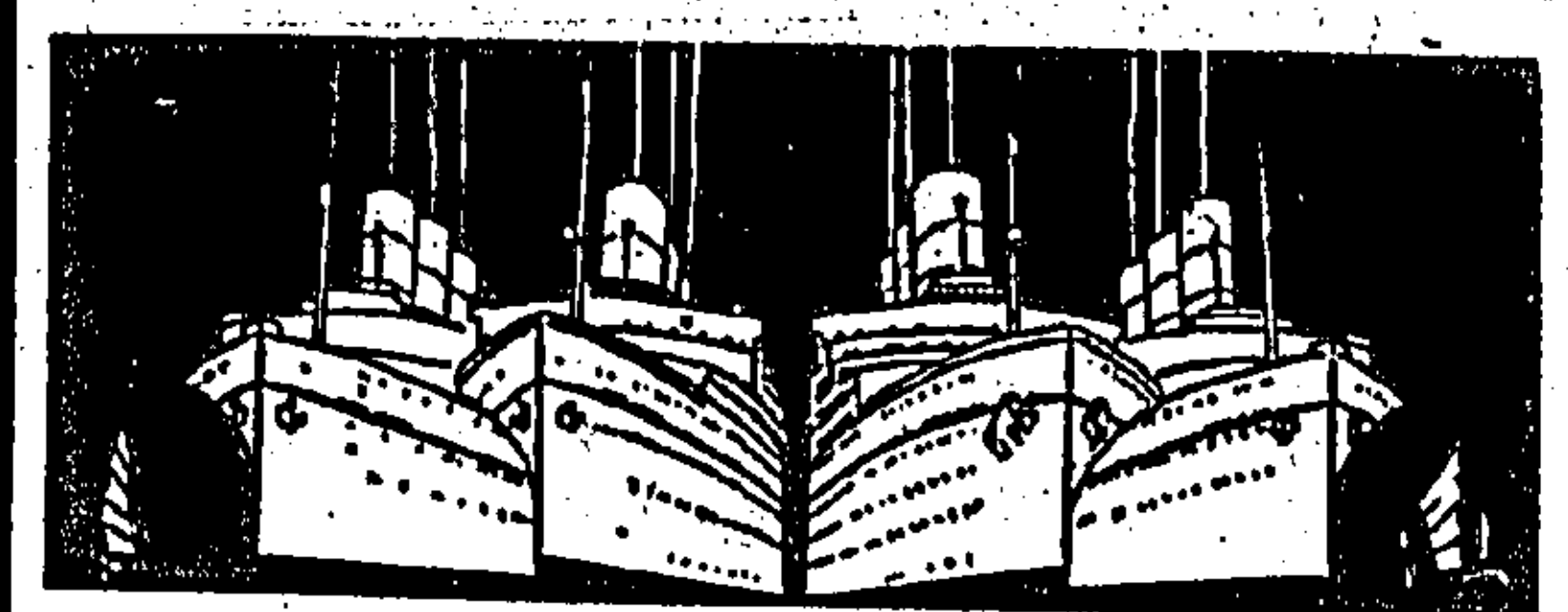


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Emp. of Asia	Dec. 30	Jan. 1	Jan. 3	Jan. 5	Jan. 7	Jan. 16	Jan. 16	Jan. 16
Emp. of Canada	Feb. 1	Feb. 3	Feb. 6	Feb. 8	Feb. 10	Feb. 20	Feb. 20	Feb. 20
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Emp. of Asia	Mar. 17	Mar. 19	Mar. 21	Mar. 23	Mar. 25	Apr. 3	Apr. 3	Apr. 3
Emp. of Canada	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 29	Mar. 31	Apr. 1	Apr. 12	Apr. 12	Apr. 12
Emp. of Russia	Apr. 7	Apr. 9	Apr. 11	Apr. 13	Apr. 15	Apr. 24	Apr. 24	Apr. 24
Emp. of Japan	Apr. 21	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 28	Apr. 30	May 9	May 9	May 9
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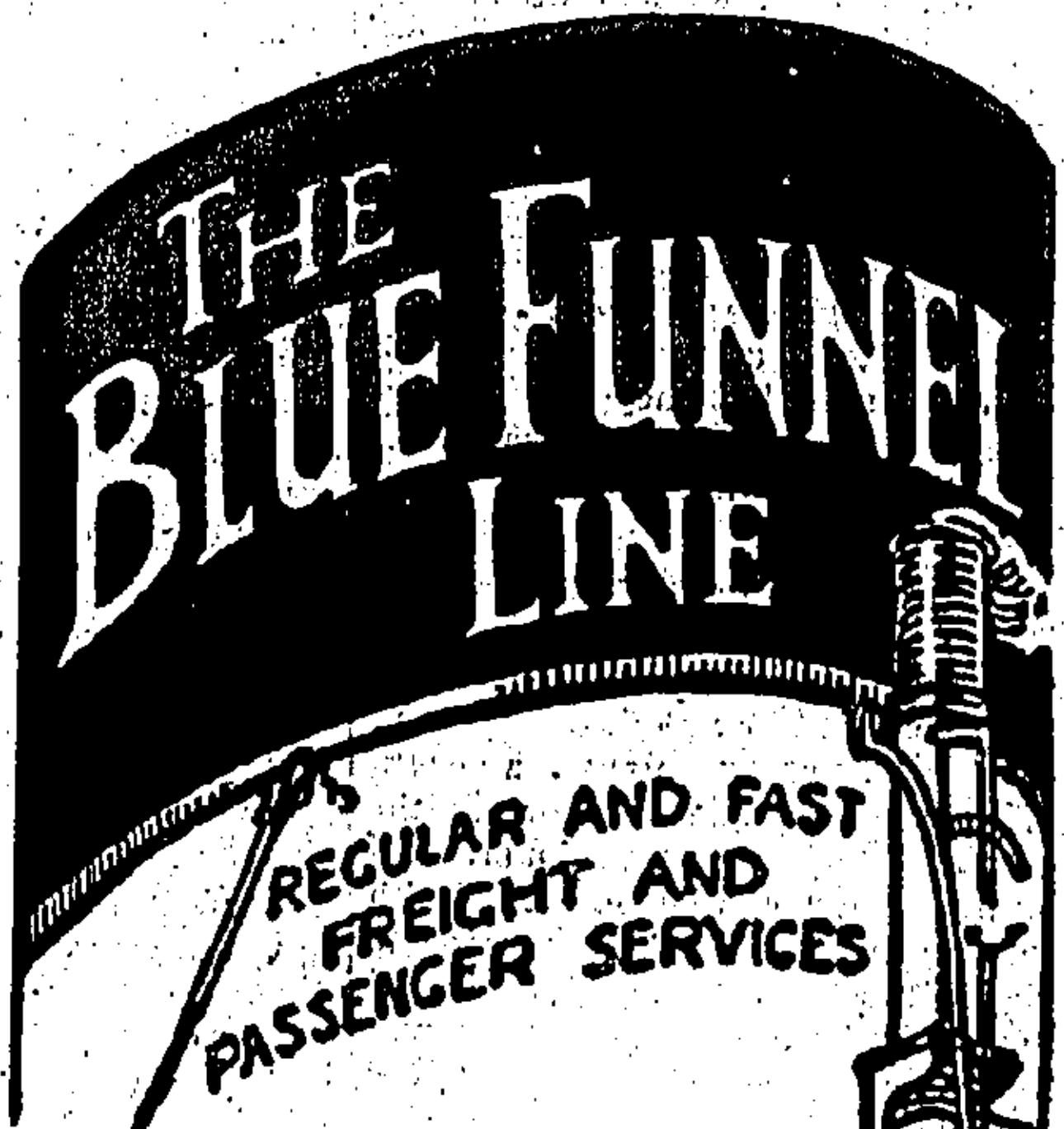
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The Occupant Of The Room

(Continued from Page 10.)

"Hallo! There's that — honestly two o'clock in the morning. They cupboard!" he exclaimed to himself, involuntarily, yet aloud. It held all the clothes, the swinging skirts and coats and Summer blouses of the dead woman. For he knew now—somehow or other—that she was dead.

At that moment, through the open windows, rushed the sound of falling water, bringing with it a vivid realisation of the desolate, snow-swept heights. He saw her—positively saw her—lying where she had fallen, the frost upon her cheeks, the snow-dust eddying about her hair and eyes, her broken limbs pushing against the lumps of ice.

For a moment the sense of spiritual lassitude—of the emptiness of life—vanished before this picture of broken effort—of a small human force battling pluckily, yet in vain, against the impersonal and pitiless Potencies of Inanimate Nature—and he found himself again, his normal self. Then, instantly, returned again that terrible sense of cold, nothingness, emptiness.

And he found himself standing opposite the big cupboard where her clothes were. He suddenly wanted to see those clothes—things she had used and worn. Quite close he stood, almost touching it. The next second he had touched it. His knuckles struck upon the wood.

Why he knocked is hard to say. It was an instinctive movement probably. Something in his deepest self dictated it—ordered it. He knocked at the door. And the dull sound upon the wood into the stillness of that room brought—horror. Why it should have been done so he found it as hard to explain to himself as why he should have felt impelled to knock. The fact remains that when he heard the faint reverberation inside the cupboard it brought with it so vivid a realisation of the woman's presence that he stood there shivering upon the floor with a dreadful sense of anticipation: he almost expected to hear an answering knock from within—the rustling of the hanging skirts perhaps—or, worse still, to see the locked door slowly open towards him.

And from that moment he declares that in some way or other he must have partially lost control of himself, or at least of his better judgment; for he became possessed by such an over-mastering desire to tear open that cupboard door and see the clothes within that he tried every key in the room in the vain effort to unlock it, and then, finally, before he quite realised what he was doing—rang the bell!

But, having rung the bell for no obvious or intelligent reason at two o'clock in the morning, he then stood waiting in the middle of the floor for the servant to come, conscious for the first time that something outside his ordinary self had pushed him towards the act.

It was almost like an internal voice that directed him . . . and thus, when at last steps came down the passage and he faced the cross and sleepy chambermaid, amazed at being summoned at such an hour, he found no difficulty in the matter of what he should say. For the same power that insisted he should open the cupboard door also impelled him to utter words over which he apparently had no control.

"It's not you I rang for!" he said with decision and impatience. "I want a man. Wake the porter and send him up to me at once—hurry! I tell you, hurry!"

And when the girl had gone, frightened at his earnestness, Min-
turn realised that the words surprised himself as much as they surprised her. Until they were out of his mouth he had not known what exactly he was saying. But now he understood that some force foreign to his own personality was using his mind and organs. The black depression that had possessed him a few moments before was also part of it. The powerful mood of this vanished woman had somehow momentarily taken possession of him—communicated, possibly, by the atmosphere of things in the room still belonging to her. But even now, when the porter, without coat or collar, stood beside him in the room, he did not understand why he insisted, with a positive fury admitting no denial, that the key of that cupboard must be found and the door instantly opened.

The scene was a curious one. After some perplexed whispering with the chambermaid at the end of the passage, the porter managed to find and produce the key in question. Neither he nor the girl knew clearly what this excited Englishman was up to, or why he was so passionately intent upon opening the cupboard at

They held their breath as the creaking door swung slowly open. All heard the clatter of that other key as it fell against the wooden floor—within. The cupboard had been locked from the inside. But it was the scared housemaid, from her position in the corridor, who first saw—and with a wild scream fell crashing against the banisters.

The porter made no attempt to save her. The schoolmaster and himself made a simultaneous rush towards the door, now wide open. They, too, had seen.

There were no clothes, skirt or blouses on the pegs, but they saw the body of the Englishwoman suspended in mid-air, the head bent forwards. Jarred by the movement of unlocking, the body swung slowly round to face them.

Pinned upon the inside of the door was an hotel envelope, with the following words pencilled in straggling writing: "Tired—unhappy—hopelessly depressed. . . . I cannot face life any longer. . . . All is black. I must put an end to it. . . . I meant to do it on the mountains, but was afraid. I slipped back to my room unobserved. This way is easiest and best."

THE END.

POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current Week.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Inspector General of Police, Chinese Company.

Training Course—Part II. All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Tuesday, November 29 at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Training Course—Part I. All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, December 1 at 5.30 p.m. Dress—Blue Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

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Registered Mail for Canada and U.S.A.	9.15 a.m. 2nd December	Emp. of Russia	Vancouver B. C. and Seattle 19th December
Ordinary Mail for Canada and U. S. A.	10 a.m. 2nd December	Emp. of Russia	Vancouver B. C. and Seattle 19th December

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INWARD MAILES.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29.	
Japan	Tokushima Maru
Shanghai and Swatow	Klungchow
Shanghai	Diomed
Straits	Soudan
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.	
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung
Manila	Emp. of Russia
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang
Japan	Tanda
Calcutta and Straits	Tilawa
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1.	
Shanghai	Tantalus
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, November 8 and Parcels, October 27	Kaiser-I-Hind
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2.	
Straits	Conte Rosso
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OUTWARD MAILES.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halching 1 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing 4 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant 4.30 p.m.
Straits	Apoey 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Norviken 5 p.m.
Saloon	Borneo 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.	
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30.	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Soudan 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Diomed (Due Marseilles, Dec. 29).
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Letters	1 p.m.
Amoy	Tai Yuan 8.30 p.m.
Amoy	Suisang 5 p.m.
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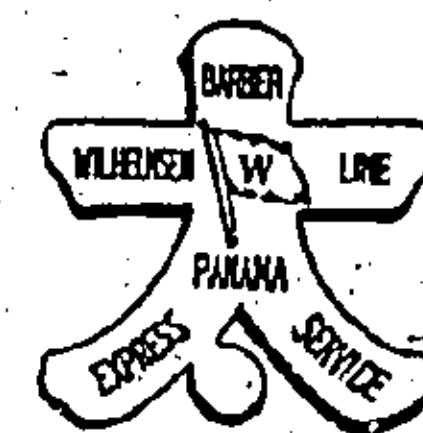
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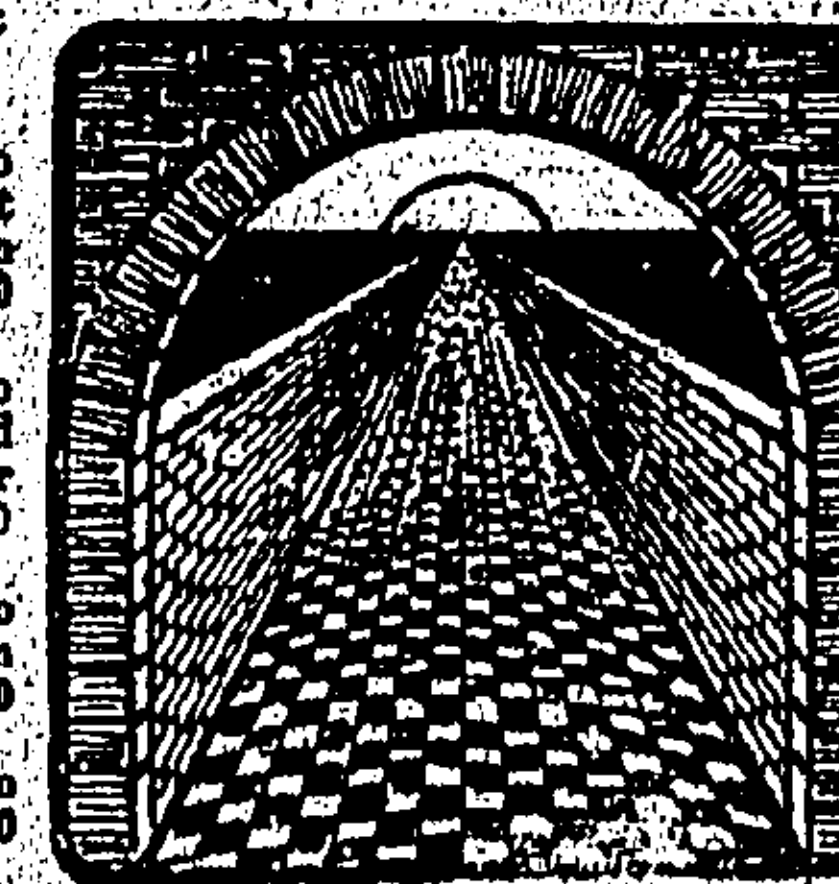
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Cabinet Divided On Policy
(Continued from Page 1.)
Interest More Than Principal.
The Financial Secretary to the Treasury, Mr. Hoare-Belisha was asked in the House of Commons what amount of debt due to the United States from Britain in December was interest and what amount constituted repayment of capital, expressed in gold pounds, and whether under the existing agreement Britain had the right to postpone payment of the latter until a future date.
Mr. Hoare-Belisha stated in reply that the instalment due in December was £330,000,000 in respect of capital, and £655,550,000 in respect of interest.
Payment in respect of capital could, under existing agreements, be postponed for not more than two years, provided that no less than 90 days advance notice had been given. Such advance notice was not given in the present case. The United States Treasury may, under the agreement, waive such notice at their discretion.
Asked whether the House would be consulted before any further payment of war loan interest was made, the Prime Minister said that if the request for discussion on this matter was made through the usual channels, it would receive careful consideration but it would not be in the public interest to have a debate at this moment. — British Wireless Service.

London Still Hopeful Of Postponement.
Britain is still hopeful of persuading the United States to agree to a postponement of war debts due in December, despite President Hoover's announcement that such payment would be expected.
The Evening Standard and Evening News both reported they understood the payment will not be made, and that Britain will present an unanswerable case why postponement of the payment is necessary.
British opinion accepted the President's declaration as not being final.
The assertion that debtor nations had not presented facts which would justify suspension was expected, and it was assumed the government would immediately dispatch a new note setting forth facts considered as justifying postponement.
British Argument.
Specific arguments by Great Britain for suspension were expected to include disturbance of the British market, fluctuation of exchanges, movement of capital and a general upset in international confidence if payments is not deferred.
The government was urged in the House of Commons to pay the December debt instalment to the United States in bar gold.
Sir Herbert Horne, former Chancellor of the Exchequer and one of Britain's foremost financiers, in from America.

MAJ. HO SHAI-LAI GOING TO U.S.
Accredited By China To Staff School.

Major Ho Shai-lai, son of Sir Robert Ho Tung arrived from Shanghai by the s.s. President Grant yesterday. It is understood that Major Ho will be leaving in the near future for the United States to join the Command and Staff School of Kansas, having been officially accredited by the Chinese Government.
Upon being questioned as to his reported resignation from the staff of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, he said that the report was not accurate.
THE DICKENS TWINS.
(Reuter's Special Mail Service.)
London.
Twin great-great-grandsons of Charles Dickens have been born in London. Their mother is Mrs. Cyril Dickens Bourchier Hawksley.
making the suggestion, recommended that the Chancellor of the Exchequer take steps to prevent resultant deflation due to reaction of the monetary circulation. He said there was no doubt whatever that Britain should pay.
King George received Lord Reading at Buckingham Palace, and was believed to have discussed with him questions of public sentiment regarding war debts in the United States.
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